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Tory wounds reopened by resignation

By Philip Webster, political editor

THE Conservative Party's deep wounds over Europe were exposed yet again last night after David Heathcoat-Amory resigned from the Government declaring that its policy on the Community was

The Paymaster General told John Major in a blunt departure letter that his policy of leaving open the prospect of joining a single currency was confusing to the public and disappointing to Conservative supporters.
The Tory Right, led by John

Redwood and Lord Tebbit. delightedly supported Mr Heathcoat-Amory, praising what they saw as the decision of a man of principle. Others attacked Kenneth Clarke and accused him of stifling debate of the issue among his ministers — one called the Chancelor a "Euromaniac".

But the Prime Minister, the Foreign Secretary and other ministers underlined their mise policy of delaying a decision on the single currency while promising a referendum before Britain could enter.

Mr Major told Mr Heathcoat-Amory that his decision to go was a mistake, and that it was not in Britain's interests to exclude itself from the debate on the single currency. Michael Heseltine said that Europe was controversial and Mr Heathcoat-Amory had "strong views one way". but he added: "There are plenty of people with strong views the other."

Nevertheless, the scale of the bitterness sparked by the

resignation left ministers dispirited. There was dismay that the reshuffle now expected today had been delayed over the weekend, providing several days of bad publicity, when it could have been carried out late last week after it was finally accepted that Mr Heathcoat-Amory could not be moved from the decision he made two months ago.

One minister suggested that Tony Blair might as well go on holiday to prepare for govern-ment and a senior backbencher said: "We are falling apart again. What a time to do this." Mr Clarke is understood to have offered the Paymaster

Peter Riddell

Leading article

General a pigget role in overseeing the single currency preparations, but Mr Heathcoat-Amory had become disillusioned with the Government's response to developments in the EU, and

was in no mood to stay. He has told friends that he regrets the damage that his departure could do by reopening the split in the party, but he has said that if he can persuade the Government to shift its stance by arguing passionately from the back benches, he might help its reelection chances.

Mr Heathcoat-Amory, 47, the Eton-educated nephew of a

former Tory Chancellor, believes that the party should capitalise on the antipathy to monetary union within the party and the country by taking a sceptical line, and he will today use his newlygained freedom to launch a pamphlet calling for the single currency to be ruled out.

His resignation letter called for a reshaping of Britain's relationship with Europe. He had supported a policy of reform and attempting to build a relationship that pro-tected Britain's interests from unwarranted interference, but he said: "This policy is not working. The drive to political union in Europe is relentless and has already gone beyond what most people regard as acceptable.

"in particular I am convinced that joing a single European currency would be disastrous ... I know we are not as yet committed to a single currency. However, the Government's on this issue is confusing to the public and disappointing to most of our supporters."

Mr Heathcoat-Amory later told Channel Four News that he would continue to support the Prime Minister and said: "I'm not going to join an anti-Government faction." He had hoped to delay his resignation until the expected reshuffle, but his position had become intolerable when the matter was leaked last week. "So the manner of my going has not

In his letter reply, Mr Major regretted the minister's deci-Continued on page 2, col 6



Steve Redgrave, the Olympic rower, shows his frustration in Atlanta yesterday

Frustrated British rowers bale out of Olympic village

FROM QUENTIN LETTS AND JOHN GOODBODY IN ATLANTA

BRITAIN's best gold medal hopes, the rowers Steve Redgrave and Manhew Pinsent, have moved out of the Olympic village in protest at farcical travel arrangements at the Atlanta games.

The finalists in the men's coxiess pairs and coxiess fours, describing the US organisers' arrangements as "shambolic", have moved to accommodation in Gainesville, Georgia, which is nearer the rowing venue of Lake Lanier. They have been an-gered by a series of transporta-tion gaffes better suited to a "Carry On" film than what Atlanta hailed as the "greatest event in America in

The Atlanta organisers were sharply rebuked by the ruling body of the Olympics for a series of technological and transport glitches. One sporting venue was hit by an electricity blackout, the computer results system is in free-fall and the Princess Royal's car was commandeered by British rowers.

Volunteer bus drivers, close to tears, abandoned their vehicles in the street. One driver, who was meant to be ferrying observers to a distant stadium, took them back to their starting point because she was too frightened to drive on the motorway. When it started to rain she was unable to find the windscreen wipers. Olympic now

"The Olympic village itself is comfortable but the transport is a shambles," Pinsent said. "It has taken more than two hours to get to Lake Lanier at times. I have never

known anything like it."

Alison Gill, stroke in the British women's rowing eight, said: "We waited over an hour for transport. We stood in the middle of the road. The police



Gill: diverted bus away from hockey stadium

were screaming at us to get out of the road but we became desperate. One bus came along and the driver said he was going to the hockey. We just jumped in and said: 'Now you're going to the rowing. He agreed."

David Tanner, manager of the British rowing team, said: "The oarsmen are very frus-trated by the long journeys and understandably wanted to have the best preparation for their event."

There has been overcrowding on Atlanta's small underground railway, although it has not been so much worse Northern Line.

The Princess Royal was understood to be following the transport controversy with interest: not only is she a member of the International Olympic Committee, but her official car was also "liberated" by the British rowers to get to a venue on time. The Princess inconvenienced and may well have approved of this display of British initiative.

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Hottest day of year ends the heatwave

By KATE ALDERSON AND MICHAEL HORSNELL

THE week-long heatwave is expected to come to a blustery end today with thunderstorms and showers across the southern half of the country after the hottest day of the year in many areas yesterday. Warm air from France took

the temperature at RAF Marham in Norfolk and at Spalding in Lincolnshire to 32C (90F): Heathrow Airport sizzled at 31C (89F). The hot weather prompted a

warning from the Royal Sociery for the Prevention of Accidents after three teenagers drowned. Lisa Marie Stevensun, I6, of Wheatley Hill, Co Durham, who jumped into a river to cool down became tangled in underwater weed; she died yesterday after failing

The Times on the Internet

http://www.the-times.co.uk

to regain consciousness. In Halifax, Mohammed Nazam and Mohammed Asaf, both 19, drowned while swimming with friends in Ogden Water, Ogden, on Sunday afternoon.

In Torquay, Andrew Wooffinden, 20, drowned after a prank involving taking a beach pedalo that had been damaged and was being kept for spare parts misfired. The man, who had visited a pub with friends, got into difficulties after the pedalo sank. Safeway has suspended

sales of strong lager in its Brighton branch in an attempt to stop people drinking in the hot weather and causing trouble in the town.

Bucket shop collapse brings call for tax on holidaymakers

By Harvey Elliott, air correspondent

AVIATION chiefs are pressing for the right to impose a flight levy of at least 50p per passenger after the collapse of one of Britain's biggest bucket shops cleaned out the emergency fund set up to repatriate

stranded holidaymakers.
The Civil Aviation Authority is calling for urgent legislation to allow it to raise up to £8 million a year because a series of travel company failures this summer has emptied the fund that should have had tens of millions in reserve to deal with disasters.

The authority has already had to borrow £3 million to safeguard the holidays of more than ten thousand Forecast, page 24 people who booked through

The Flight Company, which collapsed on Friday. It has also had to use the £1.5 million bond lodged by the company and the last £1.9 million in the

The trust fund is now skint - completely bust," Clifford Paice, director of economic regulation at the CAA, said yesterday. "This is the biggest collapse for a very long time. We have been telling the Government for years that we need to raise extra cash. They have failed to act and now we have a very real problem."

rescue fund.

The authority has been told that it has not got the legal power to impose a levy on passengers to cover the cost of the extra loan, so it is now

pressing for legislation to be introduced urgently so that they can charge at least 50p per passenger for the forseeable future.

In the meantime, an investigation has been launched into the activities of The Flight Company of Kingston-upon-Thames, which sold airline seats both direct to passengers

and through travel agents.

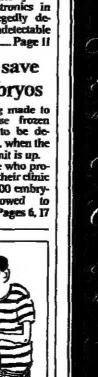
It should have been at its most profitable at the height of the season, but it was unable to pay the airlines from which it bought cut-price seats and all its flights stopped on Friday. The company's bond has been used to pay hotel bills and bring people home on Continued on page 2, col

'New Jackal' in TWA inquiry

FBI agents investigating the loss of TWA Flight 800 are investigating Ramzi Ahmed Yousef, a Middle East terrorist known as the "New Jack-al", who is accused in New York of plotting to blow up a dozen American jumbo jets. He studied electronics in Swansea and allegedly designed a small, undetectable

Appeal to save frozen embryos

An appeal is being made to 900 couples whose frozen embryos are due to be destroyed on August 1, when the five-year storage limit is up. Unless the people who provided them contact their clinic before then, the 3,300 embryos will be allowed to



Heavenly Hiraani Tiger Lily - a sister for Fifi

By JOE JOSEPH

PAULA YATES — already mother to Fifi Trixibelle, Peaches and Pixie Geldof gave birth to her fourth daughter yesterday, but steered clear of choosing a really whacky name by simply calling her Heavenly Hiraani Tiger Lily instead.

In the Yates household, which probably regards names like Emma or Jane as unthinkably freakish. Heavenly Hiraani ranks as a fairly conservative choice. The father. Michael Hutchence of the group INXS, who was present at the birth at Yates's Chelsea home, said it was the

proudest moment" of his life. It was Australian-born Hutchence who chose the name. It is apparently common among Polynesian girls, and thus might

cause an identity problem on the school register if the Yates-Hutchence household should ever resettle in, say, Tahiti.

The 6lb baby, to be known as Hiraani, joins a clique of pop and film star kids blessed or burdened with unlikely names. such as Moon Unit and Dweezil Zappa. Zowie Bowie, Zak Starr, and God Slick, daughter of Jefferson Airplane duo Grace Slick and Paul Cantner. Actors Don Johnson and Melanie Griffiths named their kid Dakota Mayi. The singer Cher called hers Chastity and Elijah Blue.

The world might mock Paula's choice and mutter, like Jaques in As You Like It. I do not like her name". But, as Orlando told him: "There was no thought of pleasing you when she was christened."

barmy names as there is, for example, in Japan and parts of Europe. A Swedish couple recently lost an appeal against a court ruling that forbade them to spell their five-year-old son's name, Brixxocxxmnpcccclllmmnprxvclmnckssqlbbllll6. It looks altogether more straightforward once you learn it is pronounced Albin. They said the name was a "pregnant, expressionistic development that we see as an artistic creation".

It is not unusual for British babies to be given 11 names after every member of a favourite football team. An American name collector, George Hubbard of New York, has amassed a trove that includes Welcome Baby Darling, Bertha Big Foot, oleasing you when she was christened."

Truth Delight Becquette, Mary Hatt Box, and Albion Moonlight Butters.

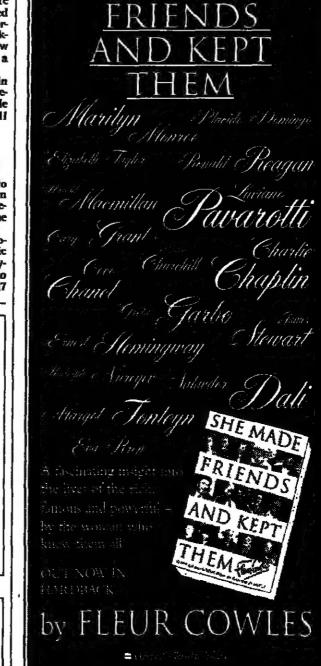


"If you thought Heavenly Hiraanl was bad, how about Heathcote-Amory?"

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A trudge towards the Government's last summer recess, one MP trudges more sadly than the

John Butcher (C. Coventry South West) is not standing at the next election. He has looked, in the years I have known him, increasingly fed up. If you wish to know one of the reasons why, then follow me through the life, and death. of one little press release.

Read this letter of June 18, released to the press, from Mr Butcher to the Transport Secretary, Sir George Young: The situation on the M6 between junctions 5 and 10 is

suggest that, in order to keep the motorists in a sane frame of mind, we allow picnicking to take place in the central lane and that jugglers, acrobats to entertain and supply the captive audiences for the 12 hours they are normally stuck there during normal working

"I suggest these measures should be introduced until such time as this intolerable situation is relieved by completion of the Birmingham Northern Relief Road." I put it to you, reader, that

this letter was a joke, a joke with an underlying point,



Here, then is The Week in

quite a good joke, obviously intended as a joke, and clear to the meanest intelligence as a

The Sunday Times of June 23, commenting on the "propos-al". "Once. John Butcher was I put it to you that, had Mr Butcher asked our advice as to deemed among the brightest whether there was the least young men in politics. But danger that his purpose - to urge completion of the relief whoops! - look at him now." road - might be misunder-Here's Richard Littlejohn in stood by anyone but a comthe Daily Mail (June 20): "I'm plete ass, we would have sure it seemed like a good idea at the time, but if I were replied, "Don't worry, John. The British media and its sweltering in a jam on the M6, audience may be crass, but an hour and a half late for an

last thing I would want ..." etc. You couldn't make it up. The Daily Mirror, The Daily Telegraph and the Scottish Herald all reported the proposal straight, in news and information sections. The Telegraph printed a reader's letter: "Sir, Every day I become more convinced that MP stands for 'Mad Person' ... Even my six-year-old niece was able to point out the stupidity of such a suggestion: People wouldn't concentrate, would they? They would bump

into each other - then the

queues would be even longer!"

The Independent commented:

Jo Brand's column in

"Most of us would rather get through Birmingham, not watch somersaulters." Lowrie Turner in the Sunday Mirror offered the opinion that this plan would lead to greater "road rage", not less. If I were Mr Butcher, I would

Only the bland survive. John Butcher and I entered Parliament together in 1979. Tomorrow he leaves for his summer recess. Within a year, the colleague I remember as a witty, talented, tolerant, rather idealistic young man, will trudge off - older, sadder, and perhaps a little cynical - into the sunset. Whoops! -- look at

Minister accused of dishonesty over mail

The President of the Board of Trade confirmed last night that the Government intends to suspend the Post Office monopoly on letters under £1 on July 26 for a month, unless workers call off their strike. Ian Lang also gave warning that if strike action was stepped up, the suspension would be extended for a further three months.

In a heated Commons debate Mr Lang said: "It is unacceptable that the country should be faced with the threat of a series of further strikes in the coming weeks. These strikes are unnecessary and damaging." Margaret Beckett. Shadow Trade and Industry Secretary, accused Mr Lang of "transparent dishonesty", claiming the Government's real agenda was "to pursue the folly of Post Office privatisation by any means and any excuse".

Most MPs take pay rise

Only four MPs have declined to accept their £9,000 pay increase, although 154 MPs voted against the 26 per cent rise earlier this month. Tony Blair, the Labour leader, is among the quartet who have told the Commons fees office that they do not wish to receive the big salary increase. He is joined by fellow Labour MPs Chris Mullin (Sunderland South) and Dennis Skinner (Bolsover). Peter Thurnham, a Tory MP who resigned the party whip, will also refuse the

Defence agency deal

Britain is to join Germany and France in forming a new armaments agency to improve co-operation between the three countries on defence procurement. Michael Portillo, the Defence Secretary, has been keen to join the agency and yesterday it was announced that agreement had been reached for Britain to help to set it up. Its first project will be the development of a multi-role armoured vehicle. The Army needs about 2,000 new multi-role vehicles, ranging from armoured fighting vehicles to command vehicles.

Landmark lesbian case

A landmark test case which could affect the ban on homosexuals serving in the armed forces has been referred to the European Court of Justice. Lesbian railway clerk Lisa Grant, 28. from Eastleigh. Hampshire, claimed at an industrial tribunal at Southampton in May that she was unfairly discriminated against when her employer, South West Trains, refused to give her lover free travel concessions. The tribunal has referred the case to the European Court of Justice for a ruling.

Tobacco cash danger

A tobacco firm's £1.6 million sponsorship of a chair in international relations may cost Cambridge University [3] million in lost cancer research funding. Cambridge dons voted last week to accept the money from BAT Industries. Gordon McVie, director general of the Cancer Research Campaign, said he was "bitterly disappinted" about the decision and that although the charity would honour its present commitment to research at Cambridge it would review its future relationship with the university

Asylum challenge fails

The Government last night defeated by 14 votes a final attempt by the Lords to allow refugees three days' grace to claim asylum before losing their right to welfare benefits. Peers led by Lord Runcie and Lord Jakobovits joined a ministers' original plans requiring asylum seekers to state their aims at the point of entry to the country. Peers rejected by 182 to 168 calls for the three-day amnesty to be included in the Asylum and Immigration Bill.

Disinfected letter sale

A collection of historic letters that have been disinfected to prevent the spread of epidemics is to be auctioned at Christie's in London today. Some of the 48 documents, dating from 1720 onwards, are still stained from being dropped in vinegar, the most common method of disinfection. Trevor Langton, a stamp specialist, said: Decontamination stations were set up all around the Mediterranean. There were some in Britain, too." The collection is expected to fetch over £2000.

'Extinct' plant resurfaces

The starfruit, a white-flowered pond plant feared extinct in Britain, has blossomed at three sites this summer. The plant, which produces tiny star-shaped fruiting bodies, was once common across England as far north as Yorkshire. It was thought that attempts to save the starfruit at sites in Buckinghamshire and Surrey in 1993 had failed after nothing happened in 1994 and 1995. The recovery programme is part of the Back from the Brink scheme being orchestrated by the Plantlife organisation.

Blind man gets life

A blind beggar was yesterday jailed for life for beating a man to death. A jury at Bristol Crown Court unanimously found street busker David Workman. 20. guilty of the murder of Najinder Singh Bharj, 48, at his Gloucester flat last April. The jury took more than three hours to bring in a unanimous verdict on the sixth day of the trial. Workman had admitted taking drink and drugs before going to Mr Singh's flat, where the murder took place. Mr Singh died of injuries caused by stamping and kicking.

Hendrix father at funeral

Mourners at the funeral of the former rock guitarist Chas Chandler yesterday included the father of the late Jimi Hendrix, whose career he launched. James Al Hendrix, 77. from Seattle, had been in Britain planning to have his first meeting with the one-time member of the Sixties band The Animals when Chandler died of a heart attack aged 57. Personalities at St George's church in Cullercoats, north Tyneside, included the actor-singer Jimmy Nail, and members of Slade and The Animals

Heathcoat-Amory 'did not want to continue as middle-ranking minister'

MP's resignation masks bitterness at stifled ambition

BY ANDREW PIERCE, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

THE decision by David Heathcoat-Amoryto resign from the Government over the march towards a single currency in Europe was also driven by personal consider-

Mr Heathcoat-Amory, 47, MP for Wells since 1983, was resigned to the fact that he would not be elevated to the Cabinet under John Major.

His wife, Linda, was an important influence on his decision. She has complained for months that her husband, a minister since 1988, could not put politics aside to spend time with their family. They were both both bitterly disappointed when he was not promoted to the Cabinet in last vear's reshuffle.

Friends of the former minister said last night that he had decided to use his well known opposition to the single currency as a dignified way out. "He feels out of step with the policy on Europe. He decided it was time to go," one said. "He could not see the point of continuing as a middle ranking minister having to support a policy he does not believe

The burden of ministerial

toll on Mr Heathcoat-Amory. who has two young boys and a girl. They dreaded the arrival of the ministerial red boxes during the summer holidays. The children stamp on them. It is their protest," Mrs

Heathcoat-Amory, an artist. said in a recent interview. Their marriage in 1979 was the union of two powerful dynasties - on her side the Sainsbury family, and on his well known West Country Tories, including his uncle,

Derrick, Chancellor of the

Exchequer in the Macmillan government Mr Heathcoat-Amory, a quiet, thoughtful man, has a wide range of interests. He combines his political interests with the management of a 17,000 acre estate in Perthshire. The couple also have a large house in Holland Park, west London, and a big house in his Somerset constituency.

He was an ambitious MP. Each summer he invited members of the Cabinet to a summer shooting party on his Scottish estate. Michael Howard and Douglas Hurd were



rumoured to be on the verge of resigning over the reorganisation of local government into single tier authorities. The rumours may not have helped his career prospects. In the next reshuffle. when most MPs expected he would reach the Cabinet, he was moved sideways to the post of Paymaster-General at

the Treasury. It rapidly became clear he would not find further favour with John Major and secure a place in the Cabinet which his Euro-sceptic colleagues believed he deserved.

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Mr Heathcoat-Amory vesterday. Friends felt he should have had a Cabinet post

Minister's departure reopens Tory wounds on Europe

Continued from page I sion, saying: "I believe it is a mistake. I believe our national interest means we must retain our influence by being part of the negotiations and by arguing our case."

Malcolm Rifkind, the Foreign Secretary, also said that Britain should maximise its influence by leaving its options open. Mr Rifkind said that Mr Heathcoat-Amory was still a respected colleague, but he admitted that his resignation would not help Tory fortunes. "Any dissent of that

kind is something we would rather not have in front of people's eyes." Mr Redwood, however, said that the Cabinet should rule out a single currency in the lifetime of the next Parliament. And Lord Tebbit said:

"No doubt it reflects his frustration that although his views are shared by most of the Cabinet, a small group of

ministers are blocking them." Sir Rhodes Boyson, another sceptic, said: Here is a minister who is prepared to resign on a matter of principle. His action enhances the status of the House of Commons." Some pro-European MPs were at this time suggested "a decadence, promotion.

furious with the minister. Hugh Dykes said: "Heathcoat-Amory has always had a demonic hatred of the EU and it is better for him to leave the Government." And the former Heritage Secretary David Mellor described the raising of "pointless divisions" over Europe as gratuitous and foolish. Provoking further rows an obliviousness" to how the public

would regard the party.

Mr Major's expected reshufile today will concentrate on replacements for Mr Heathcoat-Amory, and for Steve Norris and Tim Eggar, who are standing down. Eric Forth, Andrew Mitchell and David Willetts. are among the candidates for

THE RESIGNATION LETTER SWIFTCALL Dear Prime Minister. WE ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE OUR NEW SERVICE AND On 16 May I informed you that I wanted to leave the Government. FROM

I agreed to your request that I should stay until the July reshuffle. Unfortunately, knowledge about my decision has become public. To end further uncertainty I am resigning today. I am leaving because I can no longer support the Government's policy towards the European Union. At the Foreign Office and more recently at the Treasury I have dealt with the European Un-

ion at first hand. I have supported a policy of attempting to reform it and building a relationship which protects British interests and prevents unwarranted interference in our affairs. This policy is not working. The drive to political union in Europe is relentless and has already gone beyond what most people regard as acceptable. In particular I am convinced that joining a single European currency would be disastrous, both politically and economically. I

know we are not as yet committed to a single currency. However, the Government's equivocation on this issue is confusing to the public and disappointing to most of our supporters. When something is clearly against the national interest, it is our job as the party of the national interest to make our position clear and resist it now. I believe we must build a new relationship with the European Union. We can have free trade in Europe without being shackled to an economic system characterised by unnecessary regulations. high costs and unemployment. We can have close political relations with our European neighbours without submitting to a federalist legal system.

It is because I see a new relationship with the European Union as essential that I have resigned from the Government and intend to speak freely from the back benches.

It has been a privilege to serve in your administrations. I will, of course, continue to give you my support and do my utmost to secure the Government's re-election.

Yours ever.

THE PRIME MINISTER'S REPLY

DEAR DAVID.

Thank you for your letter earlier today.

I regret your decision to resign, since as you know from our earlier discussions, I believe it is a mistake. We set out our position on Europe very clearly in the White Paper on our approach to the IGC. I am just as determined as you to take decisions that are in Britain's national interests, and not to saddle Britain with unnecessary regulation, high costs or unemployment.

As you know, after much consideration we reached a collective view on the issue of a single currency earlier this year. I understand the passions aroused by this issue. But I do not believe it is in Britain's interests to exclude ourselves from the debate. Whether or not we decide to join a single currency, if it proceeds it will have a significant impact on the United Kingdom, In these circumstances, I believe our national interest means we must retain our influence by being part of the negotiations and by arguing our case. It would be wrong to have Britain's voice silenced on a matter affecting Britain's

If, when the time comes, we decide it is not in Britain's interests to join, we will not do so. Moreover, if Cabinet did recommend joining during the next Parliament, we would only do so if that were approved in a referendum.

I am grateful for what you have done during your time in Government, particularly as Deputy Chief Whip. Minister of State in the Foreign Office, and

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Loyalist delegates press Major on early release of prisoners

By ARTHUR LEATHLEY

MINISTERS are considering speeding the release of convicted terrorists as a reward for loyalist paramilitaries continuing their ceasefire.

Senior backbench Tories have pressed for the gesture as tensions have risen over the marching season, during which loyalist leaders have issued warnings of a return to violence in response to attacks by nationalist paramilitaries. The Prime Minister was

pressed on the issue yesterday

of loyalist groups. John Major met two members of the Ulster Democratic Party, which is closely aligned to the Ulster Defence Association, and two members of the Progressive Unionist Party, which articulates the thinking within the

Ulster Volunteer Force. Gary McMichael of the UDP was accompanied by John White, a member of the all-party peace forum who was jailed for a minimum 20 years for his part in the killing of Senator Paddy Wilson and

a woman friend in 1973. David Ervine, a convicted terrorist, and Hugh Smyth, former Lord Mayor of Belfast, represented the PUP.

Mr Major, while keen to recognise the loyalist cease-lire, is anxious not to appear to give favourable treatment to loyalists. "This is highly sensitive and must be handled extremely carefully. The Prime Minister is well aware of the potential benefit of making a peace gesture but he can see the minefield as well," a ministerial source said.

Holiday levy

Continued from page I other airlines, but so far only a few hundred have returned and the bulk will be brought back as their scheduled holiday ends. Most of the holidaymakers

now abroad will be brought home by the Inspirations - one of The Flight Company's biggest creditors

—and it will also rebook many of the 30,000 people who are due to go on holiday later this year, although they may have to pay a £10 surcharge.

Vic Fatah. the Inspirations managing director, said that his group had lent The Flight

Company £1.625 million last October, "but in the last few weeks, they became later and later in meeting their bills. Goldcrest [Inspirations' seat brokers] had been paid £200,000 the day before they went under, but they still owed us many more thousands. Had it happened at a different time of year, we might have said we would lend them more money. But only a fool

the height of the season." The company therefore ceased trading. None of its directors was available for comment last night.

would advance them funds at

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The gloves are on as wicketkeeper fields questions in court

WRAPPED in white tissue, the most famous wicketkeeping gloves in the world were removed from the museum in the Long Room at Lord's yesterday and handed to a High Court libel jury.

The black and red gloves had once been worn by Bob Taylor, who played 57 times for England, and they helped him to achieve a world record of 1.649 dismissals made up of 1,473 catches and 176 stumpings. They appeared in the libel hearing hetween Imran Khan, the former Pakistan cricket captain, and the former England players lan

Botham and Allan Lamb as Taylor was being questioned about ball

tampering.
The jury had heard commentary of the 1982 Test match between India and England at the Oval where Ted Dexter, the commentator, had described how Botham had thrown a new ball at Taylor. Mr Dexter said that he had never seen it been done before and suggested that Taylor was giving it a "thorough going over" with the dimpled rubber of his gloves, perhaps to remove some of the lacquer

George Carman, QC, for Imran, invited Taylor to put on the famous

gloves, suggesting that they would bring back memories to him. Mr Taylor said that in the course of many matches the rubber dimples had become smooth and he had them relined before placing them in

He said that bowlers frequently threw a new ball at him at county level and had done so on occasion when he was playing for England so that he could dry it.

"At the Oval Test I wanted to dry the ball. It was slippery because in the heat of a Test match everyone's hands are sweaty, particularly the bowler's. And a medium-pace bowler holds the ball in his finger-

tips and it's likely to go anywhere." He denied he was giving the ball a "thorough going over" and said that in the seconds it was in his hands he would have been able to achieve nothing but to dry it.

CARMAN: "Do you remember Mr Dexter said it was very unusual for a bowler to throw the ball at a TAYLOR: "It may have been for him

but for me it was common practice." Pressed by Mr Carman, Mr Taylor agreed that ball tumpering was common in the first-class game. CARMAN: "Do I understand you correctly to say that lifting the seam of the ball in your experience was TAYLOR: "Yes, all bowlers any-

where in the world. It was an accepted part of the game. It was a fact and it happened." But, he added, he had never seen an

England player doing it, Gladstone Small, the former England bowler, said he had never seen lan Botham tamper illegally with the ball. He added: "It was common practice among some bowlers to lift the seam. I won't deny that. There are guys who did it on a regular

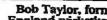
Don Oslear, a former England umpire said that many wicket-

them a new ball. They like to feel it in their gloves. I have seen it happen on many occasions."

Botham and Lamb are suing Imran over "an offensive personal attack" on them in India Today magazine which, they say, called them racist, uneducated and lacking in class and upbringing. Botham alone is suing over a story in The Sun which he says accused him of

ball-tampering.
Imman, who denies libel, says that his words were taken out of context. The hearing continues.

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Bob Taylor, former

Rottweilers have right to snarl at walkers, says court

BY ADRIAN LEE

TWO rottweilers that put their heads over a fence and snarled and barked menacingly at walkers on a public footpath were not breaking the law, the High Court ruled yesterday.

The fear created by the dogs, called Brute and Frankie, did not amount to an obstruction, although some people were too terrified to walk along the narrow country lane, at Woodhill, Meopham, Kent,

The judgment was greeted with relief by the dogs' own-ers, Graham and Christine Holland, who described them as "lovely pets". But the Ramblers' Association said it was disappointed.

The case was "rather exceptional if not unique", said the two judges who dismissed an appeal by Kent County Coun-Gravesend magistrates to convict Mr Holland for wilfully obstructing free passage.

Classing the dogs as a physical obstruction - they jumped up at the boundary fence, rested their paws on top and protruded their jowls beyond the line of the fence would be "to stretch the meaning of the word too far", said # Lord Justice Schiemann.

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Among those alarmed by the seven-year-old rottweilers was Anne Waugh, the rights of way officer for Gravesham Borough Council, the court have never got out or bitten Council



Rottweiler: judged not to obstruct timid walkers

ened to walk the whole length of the path, which was be-tween 3ft and 4ft wide, and went back the way she had come after the dogs began barking furiously over the fence, which averaged 4ft in height. There were two other

Kent County Council said it representing not only ourselves but the users of the public rights of way network."
Mrs Holland, who has three children, said: "It should never have gone this far and I hope this is the end of it. Hardly anyone uses the path, it is all overgrown. They are always under control and

were pets, not vicious guard

dogs.
They are lovely dogs —
they would lick you to death before they bit you. I have had them since they were six months old and they are beautiful with children. All dogs bark when people walk

post their gate."

The judges ruled that the magistrates had been entitled to find that the protrusion of the dogs' heads was so minimal that it could not be said to be a physical obstruction. There were other steps the council could take, either civil or criminal, if it believed that there was a common nuisance. Kent County Council, which has 4,262 miles of footpaths,

said it was considering its next move. "We felt we needed clarity on the law," said a spokeswoman, adding that the path was popular because it enabled walkers to avoid a road. John Trevelyan, deputy di-

rector of the Ramblers Association, said it was important that walkers were free from intimidation.

"It is disappointing that this line of legal approach has been ruled out by the court but I note that the judge has said it might be better to take another. legal approach based on nuisance rather than obstruction. We hope that Kent County



Mayuri Karia with Shrina. The family was last seen alive on Saturday

Poison theory after family of five found dead

A COUPLE are believed to children, a baby girl and her two young sisters, before committing suicide.

The bodies of Mahendra Karia, 42, and his wife Mayuri, 39, were found in the front room of their threebedroomed home in the rundown St Mary's district of

The family, devout Hindus, were last seen at prayer in the nearby temple on Saturday night, wearing traditional Asian dress. The bodies of the couple and Chandni 4, Shrina, 2, and Bijal, 5 months, were discovered by Mr Karia's uncle. Concern had grown after nobody saw the family on Sunday. Yesterday rela-tives gathered at his home a few doors away to share his

Friends and family were shocked that a man known for his cheerful demeanour and his family could die in such a way. Mr Karia, who used to have a shop in Portsmouth, was unemployed and doing jobs for friends. Suggestions they were in financial trouble were denied by acquaintances. Telwinder Kaur, 29, a friend of Mrs Karia, said: "She was

overjoyed when the new baby was horn I can't understand it. It is impossible to believe I will never see her and her lovely children again."

Southampton for four years

Mr Karia, who was Kenyanborn, came to England ten years ago and lived near other members of the family who hailed from Gujarat.

Bob May, head teacher at Maytree Nursery and Infant School attended by Chandni, said: "Gujarati speaking families are unusual in this community. But everything was ooking promising for the

Mr Karia had taken interest in his eldest daughter's education. "He was a good-natured, lovely man. His wife was a super mum."

A Sikh friend of the family said that Mr Karia had told him he was planning to leave for Mauritius. He said: "Mahendra told me he was going away on a long trip to Mauritius — he told me he was going with his family to a place like heaven."

Prayers were being said at the nearby Hindu temple as a 13-day mourning period began. Raj Kumar Chadda, president of the temple, said that Mr Karia was known as "the smiler". "We have not been able to comprehend what was happened."

Post-mortem examinations were carried out yesterday. Hampshire police have not released a cause of death but said that poison had been found in all the bodies. A syringe was also found at the the family died from lethal

Muggers 'shot have-a-go RAF officer four times'

By RICHARD DUCE

lucky to escape with his life after he was repeatedly shot hy two muggers who attacked him in the street, an Old Bailey jury was told yesterday.

Wing Commander Peter Drissell, 40, was walking horne to Clapham, south London with a briefcase in one hand and a some Chinese takeaway food in the other in May last year, when the men approached him and demanded money, said loanna Korner, QC, for the prose-

He wrongly thought the gun used to threaten him con-'s tained only blanks and when he "decided to have a go" was allegedly shot by Richard Humphrey, 22.

When Wing Commander Drissell was first approached Miss Korner said he "decided discretion was clearly the better part of valour" and allowed himself to be searched.

However, a woman, Carol Bell, who was passing called to the men: "Leave him alone or I will call the police."

Miss Korner said Humphrey fired at the woman but missed and it occurred to Wing Commander Drissell that the gun might be firing only blanks and decided to

A SENIOR RAF officer was have a go"."Humphrey lucky to escape with his life stepped back and shot him in the right arm. He fired four times at him from a few feet away. All the shots connected and he fell to the ground." Miss Korner said the two men then escaped and Wing Commander Drissell was left

He was wounded in the elbow, chest and twice in the abdomen, as well as his left fingers. Several medical teams, including finally plastic surgeons, treated him.

Humphrey, of Britton, south London, has denied attempting to murder the officer. The shooting happened during a number of violent incidents which started when Humphrey allegedly obtained an illegal firearm and which ended in the death of a woman, Victoria Odususi.

Humphrey denies murder-ing Ms Odususi the following July and attempting to mur-der another man after a row on an Underground train. He also denies robbery and fire-

arms offences. The court was told that Humphrey acquired two pistols and ammunition after placing advertisments in gun

magazines.
The trial continiues today

Olympiad pupils win golds at the final count

By JOHN O'LEAKY, EDUCATION EDITOR

SKILLS at mental gymnastics helped a British squad to win a record haul of medals, far away from the glamour of Atlanta. A six-strong team of teenagers has returned from the Mathematical Olympiad in Bombay with an unprece-dented two golds and four

Despite concern about national standards in maths, their fifth place out of 75 countries equalled the best performance since Britain first entered the competition almost 30 years ago. Their team manager, Dr Adam McBride of Strathclyde University, was jubilant at finding

a winning formula. "For everyone to win either gold or silver was a remarkable achievement, especially since we remain amaleurs in the spirit of the true Olympic ideal," he said.

"Some countries take the competitors to training camps for a week at a time, or allocate university professors to act as private totors for

The British team was chosen from 40,000 would-be competitors after four rounds of trial papers. They were together for only four days in Cambridge and two in Oxford before leaving for India. With three from independent schools and three from the first since the early 1980s from Scottish and Welsh schools the group of 16 and 17-year

although they were all male. The annual Olympiad, beld since 1959, has an age limit of 20 and is restricted to those yet to start a university course. A total of 424 competitors took part in the two-day event at an atomic research centre.

Ciprian Manolescu, from the winning Romanian team. topped the competition with full marks on the six questions. David Bibby, from Ysgol Rhiwabon, near Wrex-Briton at fourteenth.

Michael Ching, from Oundle School, near Peterborough, was the other Brit-ish gold-medal winner. He The competition was really intense."

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Peace women sink sub's security

By SHIRLEY ENGLISH AND MICHAEL EVANS

TWO women protesters in black wetsuits and snorkels boarded a Royal Navy nuclear-powered submarine yesterday after swimming up the Clyde into a topsecurity base.

The action by the peace campaigners was viewed as one of the most serious breaches of security at the Faslane submarine base, where the Navy's new Trident ballistic missile boats are based. Nanistry of Defence police began an investigation immediately after the women were arrested soon after they

entered the "hunter killer" HMS Sceptre. Claire Davies, 28, and Mhairi Logan, 23, from the Faslane peace camp, entered through the submarine's main hatch and climbed down the ladder into the control

room. The Royal Navy was reticent about confirming a claim by the women that they wandered around the control room and the captain's cabin before being apprehended by a sailor.

They were detained early yesterday morning as they made a telephone call to the peace camp. A Navy spokeswoman admitted that the security breach was being viewed with "great concern".

Three years ago a man gained access to HMS Renown, a Polaris missile submarine, at Faslane and in 1988 three protesters were found in the control room of HMS Repulse, another Polaris boat. HMS Sceptre, which is nuclear-powered but not armed with nuclear missiles, is

undergoing maintenance. The main concern for the MoD police, who are responsible for security at the The Faslane peace camp is due to close base, was that the two swimmers evaded

the submarine's night watch.

Miss Davies and Miss Logan were released from police cells at Dumbarton Sheriff Court ten minutes before they were due to face breach of the peace charges. They were granted a fiscal's release, which means charges may or may not be brought against them.

Miss Davies said: We were amazed just how easy it was to get inside the submarine. We swam in wetsuits from the beach to a small unit which acts as a buffer between the jetty and the submarine. It was then a case of scrambling aboard and walking to a hatchway."

It was over five minutes before the sailor appeared. An officer was called and they were escorted off the submarine. next month after a 14-year vigil.

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Murdered girl's parents describe crime's revelation of evil as French police seek tatooed vagrant

'Our lives will never be same without Caroline'

By BILL FROST IN PLEINE FOUGERES AND JOANNA BALE

THE parents of Caroline Dickinson said yesterday that their lives had been changed for ever. They described her murder at a youth hostel in Britany as a revelation of

John and Suc Dickinson said in a statement made through the Rev Timothy Newcombe, the vicar of Launcuston, Cornwall: "On Thursday, when we were given the news, our lives changed for ever. We have lost a quiet. loving and gifted daughter.

"Caroline's death has robbed us, however, not only of a daughter but of someone who had already become our very best friend. Caroline had so much to look forward to and so many plans for the Fluture, which we were doing all we could to help her fulfil.

Though the circumstances in which Caroline died are a revelation of real evil, the care, The family yesterday released this poem by Caroline

Small child crying. weeping, dying,
Alone on the concrete

floor. No one worries, life full of Rushing past the concrete

Someone hops, halts, Stops, Standing by the concrete floor. Child looks up, hope,

bright luck? Lying on the concrete floor. Friendship happens,

Away from the concrete floor. Life is complete, happy,

opens, blossoms,

Through the summer days of life.

Caroline Dickinson

received from everyone in Launceston and far away is a great help which we really

Caroline, 13, was suffocated and raped at the hostel at Picine Fougeres on Thursday, as she slept on a mattress on the floor between bunk beds.

Her parents' statement, which was issued on condition that the family was not disturbed further by the media, concluded: "We want everyone to know that we are very

grateful to headmaster Alan Wroath and the staff and pupils at Launceston College, to the British Embassy, the French police and the people of Pleine Fougeres all they have done for us and everyone on the trip."

French police yesterday showed people in the town photographs of a tattooed were seeking. vagrant they Detectives said he was seen walking on the road from

miles away, on the day before Caroline was killed. Albert Le Normand, who lives next to the hostel, said that one picture appeared to be a police photograph. The detectives indicated that this man has previous convictions for sexual offences."

M. Le. Normand's wife.

Solange, said that police told her they wanted to interview the man as "a matter of urgency". She added: "They described him to us as a prime suspect, but would not identify him by name. "The man is 35-40, has a moustache, is tattooed "from shoulder to wrist" and wears an earring.

Pupils who were on the French trip returned to school yesterday with their parents to leave flowers and to speak to counsellors. The card with one bouquet read: "Dear Caroline. I hope you are now safe from harm." It said of the killer: "God may forgive him, but I know I never will." Mr Wroath said that pupils were planning a memorial to



Two of the pupils who returned to Launceston College yesterday to leave flowers in memory of Caroline





Victims: Caroline Dickinson, left, and Céline Figard

Low-key French investigation contrasts with **British** methods

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN PARIS

TWO murders a few months apart offer a stark illustration of the contrasting police methnds on opposite sides of the

Channel. French police investigating the rape and murder of 13year-old Caroline Dickinson say that they have now scaled down the hunt for her killer. No photofit picture of a suspect has been issued, detectives say they have no leads, officials warn that the investiation could take months and French media interest in the case is rapidly dwindling.

At the weekend police began dismantling barricades and leaving the village of Pleine Fougeres, where the Cornish teenager was killed. At a similar stage during the British investigation into the murder of the French

student Céline Figard, 19, whose body was discovered in a Worcestershire layby last December, a likeness of a suspect had appeared in every dreds of DNA tests were being carried out and a joint operation by Dorset Police and officers from West Mercia was under way, with full

The low-key French ap-proach reflects a long tradition of keeping the press, the public and the victim's family at arm's length during such investigations, while the search for the killer continues undercover.

media involvement

Whereas British police favour appeals for help from the public via the media, French investigators tend to work amid tight secrecy and almost never allow a victim's family to make a direct request for information on television. The public is seldom informed of the progress of a murder case until or unless a suspect is arrested.

Once you start recruiting the public, the pressure for instant results increases and

CORRECTION

A no-smoking policy on Net-work SouthCentral (report, July 6) was introduced before a survey indicating % per cent support for it, not afterwards, as stated by a spokesman for the company.

mistakes are made," one Paris police investigator said.

However, there are signs that the French may be moving closer to British methods, particularly after the Céline Figard investigation, which received extensive coverage in

British police provided nu-merous details in their efforts to catch Mile Figard's killer, including a description of her missing pen, her French text books and a rare bottle of champagne she was carrying. An emotional appeal by Mile Figard's father after she had disappeared prompted a flood of calls from the public. A lorry driver, Stuart Mor-

gan, was later arrested and charged with her murder. Mr Morgan, 36, has denied the

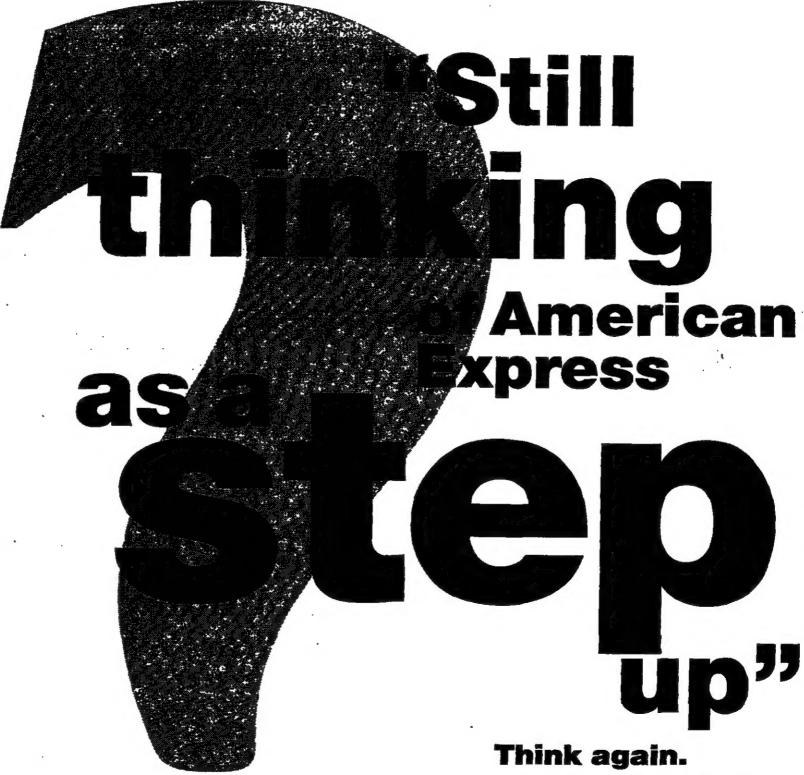
His trial is expected to start in October. "We were very impressed with the British police in the Figard case," the Paris investigator said.

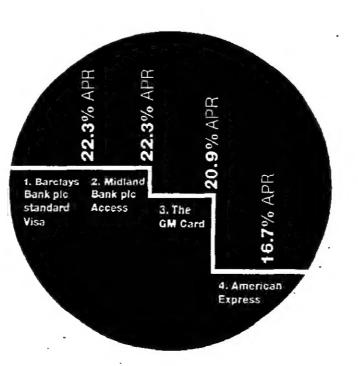
In France, the relationship between police and the public is more distant than in Britain under the direct personal control of a juge d'instruction, or investigating magis-trate. Some inhabitants of Pleine Fougeres expressed dismay that police were withdrawing so soon after the murder.

French police have some times been accused of failing to co-operate with the British families of murder victims. The parents of Joanna Par-rish, a 20-year-old British student murdered near Auxerre in 1990, claimed that they had met "a wall of silence" for six years from police investigating their daughter's death.

Requests to see the investigation file were rejected and the authorities refused to allow Roger and Pauline Parrish to appear on Temoin No I. a French television show about unsolved crimes, similar to Crimewatch.

Last April, however, after the arrest in the Figard case, the French police relented and permitted the couple to appear on the programme, prompting a number of telephone calls from viewers. Although there is still no suspect in the case, several men have since been questioned and DNA-tested.





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Last-ditch attempt to save 3,300 embryos from destruction

By JEREMY LAURANCE, HEALTH CORRESPONDENT

AN APPEAL is being made to third of cases. Of these, 650 bryos are scheduled to be destroyed on August 1, when the five-year limit on their storage runs out.

Figures released yesterday by the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority frozen embryos that will be allowed to perish unless the people who provided them contact their clinics before the deadline and give their con-

sent for extended storage. The embryos consist of four cells no bigger than a full stop. Brian Liberman, director of the Manchester Fertility Centre at St Mary's Hospital for Women and Children, and a member of the authority, said that the "unclaimed" embryos would be thawed out and a drop of water or alcohol added. The cells would then disintegrate.

The material would then be incinerated under protocols laid down for the disposal of human biological material.

The embryos are the unwanted or unclaimed results of test-tube baby treatment undertaken before August 1991, when Parliament imposed the five-year limit. MPs decided in 1990 that no frozen embrya should be stored for more than five years, but regulations agreed earlier this year extended the limit to ten years - or more in exceptional couples consent.

Of 9,000 embryos affected by the ruling, decisions on the future of almost 6,000 have been made by the couples to whom they belong. Clinics have failed to contact those



Deech: rejects the use of

couples have moved and cannot be traced and 260 have received registered letters but have not responded.

Of those couples who have responded, 8 per cent have agreed to allow their embryos to perish, 10-15 per cent have 25-30 per cent are keeping them for their own future use and the remainder have offered them for research.

Pro-life groups said the embryos should be given to childless couples rather than be destroyed. David Alton, Liberal MP for Liverpool Mossley Hill, said: "If this is life, as I believe it is, then surely we should be giving the childless the chance to adopt in the womb.

Ruth Deech, chairwoman of the authority, rejected the suggestion. "Consent is critical. If that can't be obtained, storage has to cease, which means - sadly - allowing a number of embryos to perish. If you think through the other options, of using them without consent or of keeping them stored indefinitely, these are far less acceptable.

"Some have suggested that these embryos should be donated, or 'adopted'. This would be wrong, both legally and ethically."

Lord Winston, the Labour peer and director of the invitro fertilisation unit at Hammersmith Hospital, west London, said: "You can't give away someone else's genetic material without their approval and express permission."

The authority said couples were still contacting clinics and were expected to do so up to deadline. Any embryo on which a decision has not been made by July 31 will be allowed to perish the next day.

Mrs Deech also disclosed that the authority is to end payments to egg and sperm donors after controversy over high sums offered to some women. Last year it emerged that women were paid up to El,000 to act as human hens by donating eggs to childless couples. The payments were made via an agency, which exploited a loophole in the law intended to prevent a commer-

Mrs Deech said that any risk that the decision to donate might be influenced by the offer of cash was not desirable. A donation should be a gift freely and voluntarily given and payments to donors will therefore be phased out."

An authority working group is to consider when the ban on payments should be imposed and the effect on the supply of

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TEST-TUBE BABY LEAGUE

Embryology Authority ranked according to their live-birth rate for in vitro fertilisation in 1994-95. New clinics have been excluded. The birth rate is adjusted to take account of the woman's age, the length of infertility and other factors to provide a comparable figure fair to all clinics. The larger the number of treatment cycles provided the more reliable the live-birth rate is as a guide to future success.

	IVF Treatment		
Hospital/Clinic	Treatment cycles (No.)	Live birth rate (%)	
1 Nurture. Queens Med Ctre. Notts	861	23.7	
2 Birmingham Women's Hospital	267	22.6	
3 St James's Hospital, Leeds	537	22.5	
4 Royal Maternity Hospital, Belfast	548	22.2	
5 The Lister Hospital, London	1104	22.1	
6 Southmead Hospital, Bristol	82	21.5	
7 John Radcliffe hospital Oxford	603	21.2	
8 BMI Chelsfield Park Hospital, Kent	208	20.4	
9 Leeds General Infirmary	946	19.7	
10 South Cleveland Hosp, Middlesbro'	104	19.6	
11 BMI Priory Hospital, Birmingham	241	19.0	
12 Holly House, Buckhurst Hill, Essex	262	18.8	
13 BUPA Roding Hospital, Essex	211	17.9	
14 BMI The Park Hospital, Nottingham	640	17.3	
15 St Thomas's and Guy's Hospital,	496	16.9	
16 Hallan Medical Centre	643	16.4	
17 North Staffs Hosp, Stoke On Trent 18 Northamptonshire Fertility Service	116 223	16.3 16.1	
	1004	15.9	
19 Wolfson Family Clinic, London 20 Royal Masonic Hospital, London	839	15.9	
21 BUPA Hospital Bristol	773	15.4	
22 Midland Fertility Services	787	15.3	
23 The Churchill Clinic, London	519	15.1	
24 Wessex Fertility Services, Soton	404	14.9	
25 Esperance Hospital, Eastbourne	212	14.7	
26 Bridge Fertility Centre, London	568	14.3	
27 University Hospitzl of Wales	168	14.1	
28 Bourn Hall Clinic, Cambridge	1315	14.1	
29 Royal Victoria Infirmary, Newcastle	342	13.8	
30 Washington Hospital, Tyne & Wear	307	13.7	
31 BMI Portland Hospital, London	152	13.5	
32 Royal Infirmary Edinburgh	447	13.2	
33 St Mary's Hospital, Manchester	627 68	13.0 13.0	
34 Newham General Hospital, London 35 London Gynaecology & Fertility Ctr	786	12.7	
36 Leicester Royal Infirmary	114	124	
37 Sheffield Fertility Centre	661	12.1	
38 Glasgow Royal Infirmary	876	12.0	
39 Wirral Fertility Centre	141	11.8	
40 Middle England Fertility Ctr, Leics	110	11.2	
41 University Coll Hosp, London	366	11.2	
42 Hartlepool General Hospital	85	10.8	
43 ARU Aberdeen University	327	9.8	
44 Walsgrave Hospital, Coventry	458	9.8	
45 Cromwell IVF Unit	427	9.1	
46 BMI Chiltern Hospital, Bucks	149	8.7	
47 King's College Hospital, London	1453	8.6	
48 Hull IVF Unit	390	8.5	
49 Fazakerley Hospital, Liverpool	240	8.3	
50 Ninewells Hospital, Dundee	501	8.3	
51 Manchester Fertility Services	506	8.2	
52 WithIngton Hospital, Manchester	147	4.9	
53 Highgate Private Hospital, London	47	-	

Woman who had daughter after IVF offers her 'spare' eggs for implantation in others

By DOMINIC KENNEDY SOCIAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

JOANNA FISHER is offering her nine frozen embryos to other infertile couples because she believes it would be a waste to destroy them.

After giving birth to a daughter,

Emma, three months ago. Mrs Fisher, 30, was reluctant to repeat the emotional trauma of in-vitro fertilisation. This left her with the problem of what to do with the spare embryos. The clinic would charge £250 a year to store them in a test tube. Instead, she and her husband, Richard, 37, a computer consultant. have signed a consent form so they can be implanted in other childless women.

Mrs Fisher, a retail manager, is aware of the problems if Emma's siblings are born to strangers. "I am adopted, so for all I know I could have brothers and sisters out there. I always knew I was adopted. With Emma, we are going to tell her we had to have help so she could be born.

and fell in love? If she brought home a boy and he looked like her, I would Mr and Mrs Fisher, from Hay wards Heath, West Sussex, were

"What if she met her own brother

married in 1987. Her fallonian tubes are damaged and she had three miscarriages before treatment at Ian Craft's London Gynaecology and Fertility Centre in

Harley Steet last year.

She produced 15 eggs, of which 12 were fertilised with her husband's sperm and three were implanted. One

of them grew into Emma. Nine were frozen as spares, in case the initial cycle failed or the Fishers wanted another baby. The treatment cost £2,000, but a couple using their embryos would have to pay only £800

Emma is a beautiful, bouncing little girl. She is wonderful," says Mrs Fisher. "We would like to help another

intertile couple. Mrs Fisher was unwilling to let her embryos be used for experiments. "It is a bit like using our bodies when we die for scientific research. They should

Lesley Linehan, 39, a nurse, has been saving for eight years so she can afford to use the two embryos stored at Professor Craft's clinic where her daughter Hannah, seven, was conceived. "We spent £3,000 to get pregnant and we haven't had the finances to go back. We are only normal people doing normal jobs."

She is against destroying embryos.

"It is heartbreaking. If it happened to us I would feel like they were slushing away my chances of more children. We were told they are called frosty babies." Leaving them to research would be worse. "I wouldn't really want my children experimented on," she said.

Her husband. John, 44, a dairy worker of Chelmsford, Essex, said: "I just can't understand how someone could leave their embryos in this sort of limbo. It is like they are in a prison made of ice, just waiting to be taken. defrosted, and to break out as

Success varies at fertility clinics

By JEREMY LAURANCE

SOME of the best-known testtube baby clinics have among the lowest success rates for live births, according to official figures. The second annual Patients' Guide shows that the best have success rates almost five times higher than

The top result for in-vitro fertilisation was at the Nurture clinic at Queens Medical Centre, Nottingham, with a success rate of 23.7 live births for every 100 treatment cycles in 1995, compared with a national average of 14.5 per cent. Nurture's previous rate was 10.1 per cent. Its six gynaecologists provided 861 courses of treatment to 669 patients, making it one of the larger clinics. One cycle of IVF 🗧 costs £1,700; drugs add about

The lowest-scoring clinic was the Withington Hospital, Manchester, with a success rate of 4.9 per cent over 147 cycles of treatment. The previous year it was second from

bottom with 4.8 per cent. The Assisted Conception Unit at King's College Hospital, south London, one of the largest in the country, had a success rate of 8.6 per cent. Last year it had performed better than Nurture at 11.4.

Other large, well-known clinics with success rates well below the national average were those at the Cromwell Hospital in central London, Manchester BUPA Hospital. the Princess Royal Hospital in Hull, Ninewells Hospital in Dundee and Glasgow Royal Infirmary. Almost 20,000 women had

test-tube baby treatment in the year ending March 1995, up from 17,000. Nearly 7,000 were given donated sperm. fewer than the previous year. The success rate for IVF was up from 14.2, and the rate for donor insemination was up from 6.5 to 7.9 per cent.

As the treatment is stressful, expensive and can take years, the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority says that patients should have information to compare the clinics. Costs range from £700 to 2,500 per treatment cycle.

Ruth Deech, the authority's sions should not be made on the birth rate alone: "There are many other factors that patients should and do take into account, such as location, cost, waiting lists, whether they specialise in particular treatments and the general feel of the clinic." ☐ The Patients' Guide to DI

and IVF Clinics (HFEA, Paxton House, 30 Artillery Lane, London El 7LS; free)

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Mr Wing, 50, said: "It's more amusing than worrying. It's the kind of silly story you can tell in the pub. All the package contained was a piece of plastic, four screws and a trigger guard for a cheap

'Sterilised' mother wins baby payout

WOMAN whose career plans were wrecked by the birth of her third child accepted £100,000 damages from a hospital yesterday after she became pregnant following a

sterilisation operation.

Zoe Bell. 39. decided that her two boys, now aged 15 and nine, were enough and planned to return to work after the second. She opted to be sterilised at Basildon Hospital in Essex in 1989 but discovered that she was preg-nant a year later. She had another son, Reece, who is

now five. She and her husband, John. from Ingatestone, Essex, took legal action against the hospital for failing to warn her that

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her fallopian tubes, after being tied, could "recanalise" and make her fertile again. Basildon and Thurrock Health Authority (now South Essex Health Authority) admitted liability without the need for a

High Court trial. Richard Davies, QC for the couple, said Mrs Bell's claim was for having an unplanned baby and for loss of earnings. Neither Mrs Bell nor the authority would comment. Last night Dr Christine

Watson, a London family planning consultant, said is was not rare for sterilisation operations to reverse themselves. About one woman in a hundred could expect surgery

Brother jailed for cover-up over murder

A STUDENT who lied to protect his brother in a murder inquiry was jailed for four years yesterday.

Robert Mazure, 22, acted out of loyalty to his younger brother, Marc, after Marc stabbed a man to death in the street, the Old Bailey was told. Marc, 20, had gone looking for a drug dealer who had threatened him. But he at-

tacked a stranger by mistake near their home in Muswell Hill, north London. Robert, who had been driv-

ing Marc in the search, admitplotting assault and attempting to pervert the course of justice. Marc was jailed for life earlier this

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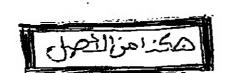
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A provocative night out if you don't have much on

A RAUNCHY El million pro-duction that promised to be one of the most controversial musicals staged in Britain opened last night in London's West End. A cast of 18 offered simulated sex, "lipstick lesbians", sado-masochists and naked dancers, but the producers of Voyeurz vehemently dismissed any comparisons with Soho strip shows.

But first the bare facts. This

irish,

is a provocative rock musical, which has made hefty savings on costumes. It is presented by Michael White, the impresario who shocked theatre audiences more than 25 years ago with his nude revue, Oh! Calcutta!

It tells the story of a young girl's discovery of her sexuality against a backdrop of a teamy "anything goes" New

The character, Jane, who develops a passion for watching people make love, is played by Sally Anne Marsh, 23, from Pembury, Kent. She said: "Some of the nudity is quite pure. Some of it is very

"I become quite compulsive as far as sex goes. I end up watching people have sex.



My Fair Lady it ain't. Dalya Alberge reports that, although the latest rock musical has a Elm budget, there have been big savings on costumes

cuttat: up to 300 productions

to family musicals. There's

lots of clothes and underwear

City Council over their simulated sex acts. Two of them

appear naked in the musical

those acts with microphones.

stage debut of Pem 2 Fem. A Westminster City Council spokesman explained that it

was able to intervene in the

group's staging last June at the Astoria because it was a

performance rather than a

and perform variations of

It marks the "legitimate"

Voyeurism is what Jane does. She doesn't know what turns

Mr White conceded that there was not much of a plot: "It's a non-plot musical, a cross between a musical and a

rock show." Although he stressed that this is "not a mudist revue", he has said that he would like audiences to come out of the show "wanting to have sex, with whatever and

Whomever". Because of the full nudity and explicit sex, the show is restricted to an adult

Mr White insisted that there will be nothing in it for the dirty mac brigade: "That hard core can get porno films. The show is sensuous rather than

He stressed that his track record goes beyond Oh! Cal-

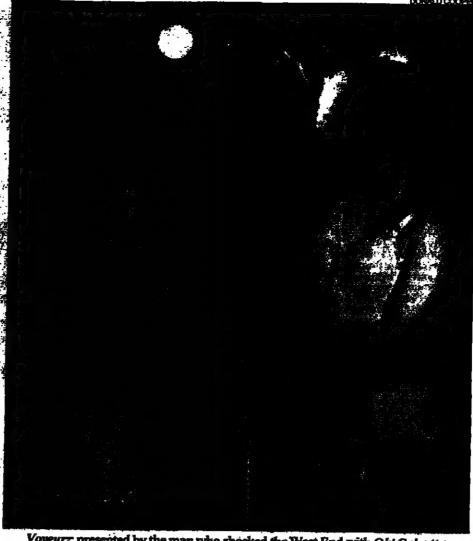
People will see an erotic evening of entertainment with full nudity and stage sex done in the most tasteful way. It does not have a great political

We have not had any complaints from the public and many tell they be they have been withing for the tree. have been waiting for this type of show for 30 years.

The music and lygies for the show, which have for 99 minutes, were written by range from Shaw and Brecht

Michael Lewis and Peters
Rafeison, and the costumes
are by agent Provocateur.
"It is not a book musical in
the great tradition of My Fair
Labora Wart Kide Story." said The show, at the Whitehall Theatre in London, features a gay female quartet. Rem 2 Fem. the American group which last year fell foul of the censors at Westminster Lady or West Side Story," said Mr White, adding that the east comes from a rucker roll background rather than the

> He likened the storyline to the Hollywood film Showgirls, on life as an "exotic" dancer: "But this is more camp and kitsch. It's a laugh. It's also got very good music, contempo-rary dance music by composers who have written for people as diverse as Etton John and Madonna."



Voyeurz presented by the man who shocked the West End with Oh! Calcutta

Panorama man takes the helm at BBC2

By CAROL MIDGLEY

A FORMER editor of Panorama and the Nine O'Clock News has been appointed Controller of BBC2.

Mark Thompson, 38, the BBC's head of factual programmes, succeeds Michael Jackson, who is to become Director of Television and Controller of BBC1.

Mr Thompson inherits BBC2 as its all-hours audicocc share has increased from 10.3 per cent to 11.2 per cent, taking it ahead of Chan-nel 4 for the first time in three years. It won two Oscars this year, for the Wallace and Gromit animation A Close Shave and the documentary Anne Frank Remembered.

Mr Thompson said that BBC2 presented a unique challenge and he was deter-mined to maintain its growth. "No other channel pushes so hard at the creative boundaries of British television or creates so much space in the heart of the schedule for originality and excellence."

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Paddy Wilson, left, the co-producer, and Gene Wilder

Wit lures Wilder to London stage

By DALYA ALBERGE

THE Hollywood actor Gene Wilder is coming out of retirement to make his British tage debut in the London remiere of a Neil Simon play. The star of Blazing Saddles, The Woman in Red and Young Frankenstein will work for far below the fee his

Wilder, 61, met the cast of Laughter on the 23rd Floor yesterday, after flying to London from his home in Connecticut. He professed delight at the public's attention: Taxi drivers have been so kind. One of them said, This one's on me, guv.' Others

asked for my autograph."
Thirty years after be last ppeared on stage, he is taking the lead role as Max Prince, a character based on the American comic Sid Caesar. Simon, who used to

write for Caesar in the 1950s, said: "When I heard that Gene Wilder had agreed I was overjoyed. It's the perfect wedding of actor to role." Simon's 1960s hit, The Odd Couple, has been enjoying a revival in London

The death of Wilder's third Radner, from cancer in 1989, had lessened his desire to work. But he said that he had been delighted at Simon's script. When he read it he laughed "until the tears were

streaming down my cheeks". Paddy Wilson, the British co-producer, said that he first saw the play in the United States and rushed out in the interval to fax Los Angeles for the British rights. The show opens at the Queen's Theatre in the West End in October, after a short provincial tour:





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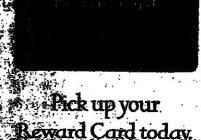












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alligator, from the safety of protective glass. The Federation of Zoological Gardens of Great Britain and Ireland is a charity which represents the interests of 60 zoological and wildlife collections.

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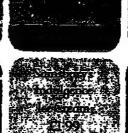


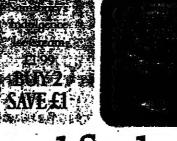
















American leads island towards independence day

By Ian Murray, community correspondent

AN AMERICAN sculptor and playwright has emerged as the leader of the Isle of Wight's independence movement, heading a committee of residents which aims to win devolution from West-

Lawrence Holofcener. from Princeton, New Jersey, wants to move faster than the council, which agreed last week to pay for an opinion poll to establish if it should hold a referendum on the question. He thinks there needs to be wider consult-ation to find the most practical form of devolution.

"This is the most beautiful place on earth but there are an awful lot of disgruntled people here," he said. "I may be an outsider, but I can see the unhappiness that most islanders have felt for so long because of the way they are treated cavalierly by central

Mr Holofcener, whose statue Allies, showing Churchill chatting to Roosevelt, was for VE-Day last year, decided to make an alliance of his own with the islanders. "We Americans know a thing or two about independence from the British," he said.

I put forward some ideas to Morris Barton, the council leader, and he asked me to form a committee and get on with the job. As someone who is not entitled to vote in this country, I can listen to opinions without preconcep-tions, which makes it easier to be a moderator.

With his wife, Julia, who organises the island's garlic festival, he contacted two councillors, businessmen, financiers and farmers to coordinate efforts. They held their first meeting at a holiday camp near Cowes over the weekend.

"There is a great deal of interest," he said, "Twenty people were invited. Eleven showed up and most of the rest sent messages that they wanted to be involved. Mem-



bers of the group do not want to be named at the moment because anonymity is our strength. But we are all leading and concerned local residents who feel aggrieved at the way the island has

September the committee will draw up plans to hold public meetings all round the island which would consider other issues, including whether the island should have a fixed link with the mainland or an airport.

"If we want to become a financial centre, business-

men are going to need better access to the island than waiting for a ferry. Ideas emerge from informal gatherings and this kind of public involvement is very demowould be more useful than a referendum, which would be costly and open to question.

Cost row threatens scheme to control traffic flow on M25

By Jonathan Prynn, transport correspondent

control scheme is under threat because of a dispute between the Government and the police over who should fund it. The £12.5 million variable speed limit scheme was launched last August as a one-

year pilot project by Sir George Young, the Transport Secretary, and has reduced both congestion and accidents. Road sensors detect traffic build-ups and automatically reduce the limit to 50mph or 60mph. Cameras fixed to overhead gantries are triggered by vehicles exceeding the reduced

The scheme, initially introduced between junctions 10 and 15 in Surrey, is enforced by Surrey traffic police, who send out fixed penalty notices to motorists caught by the cameras. Senior officers are threatening plans to extend the trial by demanding additional government funding to cover the costs of enforcing it. A senior Whitehall source

THE future of the M25 traffic said the Surrey force had only agreed to help out on the understanding that it would be fully compensated by the Department of Transport and that it was determined to stand its ground.

Transport ministers want to keep the trial going for at least another year to gather a more statistically reliable set of results. The final decision on whether to extend the scheme will be taken by ministers next month.

In a leaked letter to the Home Office, John Watts, the Minister for Roads, said the Government was keen for the scheme to be continued, "We would expect the police to operate the cameras in this way at their own cost."

The letter, addressed to David Maclean, a Home Office Minister, added: "It would be most unfortunate if it was to become public knowledge that a scheme providing very substantial safety benefits had to be abandoned because of a

refusal by the police to discharge their normal traffic obligations for which your department already provides funding."

Yesterday Lawrie Haynes. chief executive of the Highways Agency, said average speeds on the motorway had increased and accident rates had fallen by around 30 per cent, exceeding the best expecrations of the Government.

Anecdotal feedback from motorists demonstrated that they were aware of the scheme and were prepared to abide by the temporary reductions in the speed limit in return for an end to the frustrations of "stopstart" motoring, he said.

Police have been sending out about 1,000 penalty notices a month under the pilot scheme, with offenders facing £40 fines plus three penalty points. About 70 cars a day are photographed speeding through the restricted section, which is used by up to 200,000 vehicles daily.

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Ireland urged to splash out on pools

BY AUDREY MAGEE

THE Irish are clamouring for their first Olympic-size pool after Michelle Smith's success in winning Ireland's first Olympic gold for swimming. Smith, 26, of Rathcoole. Co

Dublin, has highlighted Ire-land's paltry facilities after winning the 400m individual medley on Sunday morning. Ireland is the only European Union country without a 50metre pool and has no full-time coach for its 2,000 connetitive swimmers.

Four out of the five Irish swimmers competing at At-lanta train abroad, including Smith, who lives in The Netherlands, where she is coached by her husband, Erik de Bruin. Adrian O'Connor. 22, of New Ross, Co Wexford. to train in the 25-metre pools

offered at home. Dave McCullagh, director of swimming for Ireland, said inadequate facilities were a handicap for Irish competitors. The majority of Irish are training in a 25-metre by 10metre pool and are at a physical and psychological disadvantage when they go into international competitions in a 50-metre pool," Mr McCullagh said Irish



Smith: overcame odds

longer strokes and turn less often in the pool. He said they spents weeks training abroad before international meetings.

Of the estimated 170 pools in owned by local authorities and the others by schools, hotels and private clubs. The lack of facilities may explain why, according to a survey by the Department of Health and Education, 63 per cent of the

keep fil. A proposal has been made for a 50-metre pool just south of Dublin, costing £20 million the Government's annual

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Major's election effort is vulnerable to Euro-explosions

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down in a few days. But it has persisted too far in making concesfor unity to Tory MPs last Thursday. He is an adroit party manager, so he may find some fudged form of words about Britain being highly unlikely to join a single currency in the next Parliament. But every time the European argument is reopened, the risk increases that one faction or another will resign as a group. Even Mr Major may find it hard to prevent the European issue from exploding before, or even during, the election campaign.

PETER RIDDELL

Hogg backs plante aid beef farmers with subsidy switch

FROM CHARLES BREMNER IN BRUSERLS

BRITAIN gave support yesterday to an EU scheme to finance help for the European beef industry by making a big cut in subsidies to cereal

Douglas Hogg, the agriculture minister, braved the an-ger of Britain's 37,000 grain farmers when he said that the Government was in tune with the European Commission's approach to a beef market that is not expected to recover this century from the effects of the British BSE epidemic.

Franz Fischler, the farm commissioner, was trying last night to persuade EU ministers to switch more than El billion of the cereal growers' £13.5 billion a year to schemes to soften the blow to beef farmers and rebuild the market. He is appealing for "solidarity" from the grain growers, who are deemed to be enjoying the benefits of a

steep rise in world prices. Herr Fischler also proposed an EU ban on the consumption of sheep brain and spleen. because of concern that the animals could catch mad cow disease from cartle. He said that researchers had found. sheep suffering from a strain of BSE that was different from

scrapic. "The same research also showed that the BSE necture on which remains are agent is more widespread in grown. Ministers accept that the body of the sheep com- no extra funds will be pared with cattle."

EU scientists were still studying the evidence, but it was vital to act now to protect animal and human health and bolster consumer confidence, he said. "We must avoid a repition of the events which led to the BSE epidemic in the

The proposed ban will go before the EU's standing vet-ermary committee later this

Herr Fischler's plan to help the beef industry was opposed by Germany and France, whose big grain producers are hostile to any curb in the subsidies, which they have received since 1992. Jochen Borchert, the German farm minister, said the beef market was in a "catastrophic situation" but a big cut in the grain subsidy could undermine farmers' trust in the common agricultural policy (CAP).

Mr Hogg said he recognised that the move would be onpopular with farmers, but added: "We are in the business of trying to do what is right." British farmers receive an newspaper vesterday

average of £250 for every switched to fire GAP, which consumes £32 tillion a year, half the EU's budget.

Herr Fischler says that

drastic measures are needed. Parmers claim to be producing 25 million cattle more than consumers are willing to buy. The EU has already spent about £1.6 billion in compensation to farmers and buying in unwasted beef. There could be as much as 800,000 tonnes in store by the end of the year, and there are few buyers on the world

Herr Fischler also wants to spend money on allaying consumers' fears and stimulating sales. One method may be a system of labelling of origin, an approach adopted in France, Belgium and other EU states where consumers are worried about buying British beef. He said that the task was formidable. The probability that the disease as a manufactured. to humans is being confirmed a little more every day as new. scientific studies are published," he told an Austrian



A trawler entering the harbour at Limuiden. Many of the quota-hopping boats registered in Britain are Dutch-owned

Baldry hits back at quota-hoppers

BY MICHAEL HORNSBY AGRICULTURE CORRESPONDENT -

BRITAIN launched a campaign yester, protocol, if approved, would enable a protocol, if approved, would enable a protocol are member state to ensure that vessels flying to stop "quota-hopping" by foreign owned trawlers. Tony Baldry, the Fisheries Minister, said that the Government was seeking the legal right to insist and related industries in that state.

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Rifkind seeks curb on Court of Justice

BY ARYHUR LEATHLEY

MINISTERS took steps yesterday to curb the powers of the European Court of Justice. Malcolm Rifkind, the For-eign Secretary, submitted demands to the EU inter-governmental conference, pressing for the court to have more limited powers to deliver retrospective judgments and impose fines, and to limit the length of time it can pursue claims against member states for non-compliance.

The Government pulled back, however, from the hardline stance urged by Eurosceptics and some Cabinet ministers who want more radical restructuring of the court and British withdrawal

from some areas of EU law. The Government has been angered by a number of court rulings that have gone against Britain, particularly the impo-sition of new rules forcing a maximum 48-bour working

week on employers. Mr Rifkind said that some judgments had imposed disproportionate costs on govern-ments, and businesses, and that the court's interpretation sometimes seemed to go beyand what member states intended when they made the laws. "The role of the court is to interpret existing law, not to make new law.



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Olympians give Atlanta full marks for chaos

FROM QUENTIN LETTS IN ATLANTA

ATLANTA, having ap-proached the task of staging the Games with almost childwhat a vast exercise it is. The awful verdict of veterans is that the Moscow Olympics in 1980 were better organised.

The International Olympic Committee (IOC), which awarded Atlanta the Games eight years ago, after assur-ances that this quiet Georgian town was capable of lifting itself into the first division of world cities, is not pleased. Atlanta officials have been carpeted and told, bluntly, to pull themselves together.

Dick Pound, a vice-president of the IOC, said: "The message we gave them is "You

message we gave them is, 'You have got to fix the transport'. Nobody ever believes it will be as difficult as it is. Now they

Mayor, attended a meeting of officials yesterday "as a show of solidarity and to reflect the

city's concerns".

An IBM computer system which is supposed to deliver results from the various sporting venues has proved inade-quate. (BM spent \$80 million (E51 million) preparing for the Games and has run television commercials which poke mild fun at the efforts of Barcelona. site of the 1992 Olympics.
The computer failure has

proved a grave embarrass-ment to IBM. Jeff Cross, a spokesman, tried to describe up problems", and said that this was the largest event in Nasa space shot or two Super

But members of the German press corps, whose readers have a particular appreciation for cold fact, Klaus Sprick, senior vice-pres-ident for technology of Deutsche Presse Agentur, said: The system they promised us

for the Atlanta Games, admitwas "not working in the way we would like" and disclosed that he had tried to look up the biography of a French fencer, only to be told by the system that the contestant was the winner of the 400 metres.

Billy Payne, president of the Games, may be regretting his description of the Olympics as America's biggest peacetime event. Biggest fiasco, more reporter. Alex Gilady, a member of the IOC, said that the Atlanta organisers "realise they have a big problem". About 50 members of the

city's 3,000 volunteer bus drivers walked out, saying they were not enjoying the pres-sure. A shuttle for central Atlanta employees, scheduled to leave every 20 minutes, was departing every two hours. The USA-Nicaragua baseball match was delayed because athletes were stuck in traffic and two leading judo contestants have been disqualified for failing to reach their venue on time.

Alexei Lalas, America's star soccer player, attacked the Games's official broadcaster, NBC, for failing to cover the football. In language that would perhaps not be recognised as Olympian by Baron of the modern Olympics, Lalas said: "NBC sucks. Obviously

The European Broadcasting Union, which has paid £150 million for rights to the Games (and which is affiliated to the BBC), did not rule out the possibility of suing the Atlanta Games for the technological problems. Willfried Verlinde, the head of sport for the company, said: "We have not yet reached that far, but we have sent a protest letter to the Atlanta Games asking them to react immediately."

Bob Brennan, spokesman Olympic reports, pages 43-5 for three hours.



An Atlanta tow truck driver called out to repair a seized bus axle gives vent to his frustration in trying to free it

Royal run on Games souvenirs

Atlanta: A "Malaysian prin-cess" won the gold medal for extravagance in Atlanta by spending more than \$100,000 (£64,500) on Olympic souve-

from \$15 umbrellas to cheap bottles of sweet salts made from the Vidalia onion, a Deep South delicacy, at Superstore in Centennial

She arrived with 15 ladiesin-waiting — to push trolleys — and a briefcase of dollar

Mandela's ministers trip up over 'freebie' sports exodus

From Inigo Gilmore in Johannesburg

WHILE South Africans have long recognised sport as an have gone to Atlanta on an Olympics "freebie" has not been received with patriotic

As South Africa awoke yesterday to celebrate its first Olympic gold medal in 44 years with the triumph of in the 100 metres breaststroke, the Government found itself fending off criticism over disclosures that nearly half the Cabinet had taken the "gravy train" to the Games. The exodus has been condemned by the liberal Democratic Party, which has called for a

determine how each minister and deputy minister financed his trip and how the ministers' visits will serve the national

It is not the first time in recent months that the Government has been criticised over foreign junkets and one newspaper said that it seems as if South Africa was being run "by remote control". At the centre of the furore is Mac Maharaj, the Transport Minister, whose integrity has been brought into question after it was disclosed that South African Airways (SAA) paid for his trip to Atlanta, as well as those of his wife and children.

In an interview, he said that the taxpayer was not paying a cent for the American visit and departmental investigations to ing that most were "only owned SAA.

passing through" en route to other business engagements. Mr Maharaj has denied that his SAA "freebie" was in conflict with his transport portfolio. He also insisted that the presence of the ministers was vital for "the sale" of South Africa as a viable venue

for the 2004 Games. However, the Democratic Party will have none of it. In a statement yesterday, the party said that the presence of 17 ministers and deputy minis-ters in Atlanta should be seen in a "very serious light" and it singled out Mr Maharaj for particular criticism.

It said that as Transport Minister he had direct control over the licensing of airlines and that South Africans were

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US forges Australia defence links

FROM ROGER MAYNARD IN SYDNEY

CLOSER defence ties and visa-free travel between Australia and the United States will be on the agenda this week in a series of talks between Washington and Canberra.

The meeting, to be attended

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by John Howard, the Austra-lian Prime Minister, and Warren Christopher, the US Secretary of State, will signal the beginning of a much stronger military alliance between the two countries than was apparent under the former Labor Government.

While the new arrangement is being seen as a key element of Canberra's pledge to build on the Australia-US alliance, most Australians will be more interested in the proposed ments. Unlike the British, travel across the Atlantic for several years now, Australians have enjoyed no such

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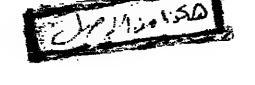
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FBI examines link with 'New Jackal' to jet mini-bomb

FROM IAN BRODIE IN WASHINGTON

FBI AGENTS investigating the loss of TWA Flight 800 are again scrutinising the contacts and operations of an accused Middle East terrorist known as the "New Jackal", who studied electronics in Swansea, and allegedly designed a

small, undetectable bomb. Ramzi Ahmed Yousef is on trial in New York with two others on charges of plotting to blow up a dozen American jumbo jets carrying 4,000 people over the Pacific last year to create a two-day reign of terror that would end American support for Israel.

Mr Yousef alone is also accused of planting a bomb on Philippines Airlines let bound for Tokyo. He got off at an intermediate stop before the bomb exploded on the second leg, killing a Japanese husinessman and injuring ten others. The plane suffered

The court has heard that he slipped bomb-making materials past airport screening devices and allegedly assembled the bomb in the plane's lavatory in flight. It was placed in a life-jacket pouch under a seat before the bomber dis-embarked. The prosecution said construction of the minibombs was described in files retrieved from the hard drive of Mr Yousef's laptop computer and in a confession obtained from a co-defendant,

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Abdul Hakim Murad. The timer was a rewired Casio digital watch. A stable form of liquid nitroglycerin was to be carried in a bottle labelled as contact lens soiution and not detectable by airport X-ray machines. The stabiliser for the liquid looked like cotton. "Nobody can think it's explosive." Mr Murad is



alleged to have said. The bombs were to be assembled using the liquid, two nine-volt batteries, detonating material that the men planned to conceal in their shoes, and the

primed watch. For practice, the alleged plotters set off one bomb underneath a seat in a Manila cinema before Mr Yousef conducted the second test on the Philippines Airlines flight, the court was told.

When Mr Murad was asked why he wanted to kill so many Americans, he said: "This is the best thing. I enjoy it." according to his confession which, he says, was extracted under torture. The gang fled from Manila when police investigated a fire caused by a mixture of bomb-making chemicals in Mr Yousel's flat. He was arrested in Islamabad and extradited to the US. American authorities say

Mr Yousel, 28, has pursued a



Mossad gave US warning of attack

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER

THE Tel Aviv paper Yediot Ahronot disclosed yesterday that Israel had been asked by the CIA to check the Athens-New York passenger list of TWA Flight 800.

shadowy career of setting up terrorist cells in various coun-

rics before moving on. This

flitting around was reminis-

cent of Carlos the Jackal, Illich

Ramirez Sanchez, and Mr Yousef became the New Jack-

al. A Sunni Muslim born in

Kuwait of Pakistani parents.

he is alleged to have used dozens of aliases and forged

passports. He faces a second trial on charges of master-minding the World Trade.

Centre bombing in New York.

Education, in 1989. He used the name Abdul Basit Mahmoud Kareem, the FBI

said. A chemistry book from

the institute library was found

in his Manila flat with pas-

sages on making explosives highlighted, according to

A key question for the FBI is

how widely did Mr Yousef

share his bomb-making skills in the terrorist underground.

There are also questions whether a mini-bomb made

from nitroglycerin would be

too small to cause an explosion

as catastrophic as Flight 800,

or whether there is a bigger

One advantage for the terrorists was they did not need American visas. They could fly

on American planes overseas,

but leave before they took off

FBI agents have flown to

Athens, the previous stop for

Flight 800, where Greek offici-

als admitted that an Arab

terrorist boarded the plane

and would have had time to

plant a bomb, according to

Mr Yousef told the FBI that

The involvement of Mossad, Israel's secret service, emerged after it was made known that the Israelis warned US intelligence before the disaster that an American aircraft would be the target of "sabotage or hijack-ing" by Islamic extremists.

INTELLIGENCE

he studied electronic engineer-ing, including a course in micro-electronics, at the Swansea Institute for Higher "The American intelligence agency gave Mossad the pas-senger list of the TWA plane from Athens to New York and asked that it check the passengers' backgrounds to reveal if one of them had connections to a terror group," reported the paper, which has close links to the Israeli security

From the start of investigations, the jet's previous stop-over at Athens has been seen as a potential key to the disaster as the airport has a poor security record. According to Yediot Ahronot, a similar request to examine the Athens-New York manifest has been made to the secret services in Egypt and Jordan.

Earlier this month, a Mossad officer monitoring Middle East terrorist groups passed an unspecific warning to his US counterpart in Tel Aviv. The officer said later: The threat of sabotage or a hijacking against an American plane was analysed and considered serious enough for us to pass on to the Americans. It was then up to the Americans to assess the dangers and decide whether to



Bridgette Rinner sits with her son Baptiste, two, and daughter Valentine, four, at memorial services for French victims in St Vincent de Paul Church, New York

Robot to help in hunt for fuselage

FROM TOM RHODES

AN UNDERWATER robot was expected to arrive in the waters off Long Island today to help in the search for the main wreckage of what was TWA Flight 800, and its two black box recorders.

The unmarined probe, known as Mini Rover One and controlled from a US Navy ship, will use sonar, camera and digital compass equipment to try to discover submerged debris from the Boeing 747. Any wreckage

THE SEARCH

sponed will be grabbed and held by its robotic arm until

navy divers investigate. It was unclear whether the robot would be used to recover bodies. All 230 people on board died when the aircraft exploded and plunged 13,700ft into the sea near East Moriches, New York, last Wednesday. Only 101 bodies have

Families gathered at noon yesterday for a memorial service on a beach overlooking where Flight 800 came down. Each relative was given a rose. as a squadron of Fl6 fighter aircraft flew over. A Cl30 training plane and an H60 helicopter, part of the Air Rescue unit involved in initial

recovery efforts, also flew past. Stories of human grief continued to come to light. As he was about to board, Michel Breistroff, 25, a French nat-ional hockey team member, had proposed to his Harvard sweetheart, Heidi Snow. "He loved America; he wanted to live here. He was very excited about it," said Ms Snow, 24, who works as an investment banker in Manhattan.

By last night the US Coast Guard had covered 17,500 nautical miles in a search that had produced remnants ranging from 30ft aircraft segments to 3in cabin insulators.

A ship whose electronic sonar first spotted a 15ft-high object on the ocean floor assumed by officials to be the fusetage -- was then unable to relocate the wreckage. "It's a very difficult recovery effort," said Robert Francis, vicechairman of the Nationa Transportation Safety Board. As teams of investigators enter the fifth day of the inquiry today, FBI and other

evidence may soon be lost.

yesterday's New York Post. 'Streak of light' reports raise possibility of missile fired from boat

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

THE theory that TWA Flight 800 was shot down by a missile fired from a boat is being pursued by investigators.

FBI agents have been interviewing people at boatyards along the Long Island shoreline and have set up a free telephone number for local people to report any suspicious activity on the evening of the crash. At least ten witnesses have report-

S NEW THEORY

ed seeing something streaking to-wards the jet before it exploded. Among them is a Vietnam exserviceman, Major Fred Meyer, an officer of the New York State Air National Guard, who was flying a helicopter nearby at the time. He said he saw a streak of light heading towards the aircraft, although he denied later that he had identified it

An American spy satellite posi-tioned over the Brookhaven National Laboratory on Long Island is said to have yielded important information about the crash. A law enforcement official told the New York Post that the satellite pictures show an object racing up to the TWA jet, passing it, then changing

course and smashing into it. The authorities are also looking into the theft of a 30ft boat from the Long Island coast in the ten days before the crash. Investigators sug-

gest that, if a missile did bring down Flight 800, it must have been fired from a relatively large and steady boat out at sea. Flying at 13,700ft, or 26 miles high, the TWA airliner was, out of range of any portable surface-to-air missiles fired from the shore. Only a US-made Stinger or its Russian copy, the SAI4 Gremlin, fired from a boat directly below could have had any chance of

reaching the aircraft. The Stinger's range is officially secret, but the Pentagon says it is

"more than three kilometres" or 1.8 miles. Unofficial publications estimate its range at anywhere from 2.7 to 3.1 miles. The Gremlin, a close

copy, has a similar reach. Nevertheless, missile experts doubt that a shoulder-fired missile could have brought down Fligh 800. As a heat-seeking missile, a Stinger would hit one of the four engines on the Boeing 747. Its two pounds of explosives would not necessarily have disabled the aircraft. Moreoever, modern airliners

use a fuel called JP8 which burns rather than explodes, making it unlikely that a missile could have caused the sudden fireball that witnesses reported.

Even identifying a target at 8.30pm as the sun began to set would be difficult, although a terrorist could have pinpointed the aircraft by intercepting its radio couldn't happen," one US Army missile expert said, "but it would be like throwing a rock at a duck."

Bardot call to boycott theme park

FROM BEN MACINTYRE IN PARIS

THE former actress Brigitte Bardot yesterday accused the Asterix theme park of cruelty to animals after the death of a baby dolphin.

Mme Bardot said the dolphin, which died over the weekend, was the seventh animal to have died at the park, outside Paris, devoted to the diminutive Gaul warrior and his exploits. The other animals to die were four dolphins and two sea lions. She called for a boycott of the theme park at Plailly, claiming that conditions were "illadapted to the needs of these

marvellous animals". Park officials said that the two sea lions, which died in 1992, were poisoned in mysterious circumstances, while the dolphins were elderly and died of natural causes. The latest fatality, a male baby dolphin, died just six days after birth. The cause of death is unknown.



Flood waters pour through the Canadian town of Chicoutimi after a dam burst. Days of rain have caused widespread flooding in southern Quebec. At least eight people have died and thousands have been driven from their homes.

Unpopular envoy ends tour of duty

By EVE-ANN PRENTICE DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

A FRAUGHT episode in British diplomacy comes to an end in October, when John Kelly, the Deputy Governor of Bermuda, takes over as Governor of the Turks and Caicos Islands from Martin Bourke, who was so unpopular with residents that they asked Whitehall to sack him.

Mr Bourke, 49, suggested in a magazine article that the islands' police were corrupt, that drug trafficking was ram-pant and the population was "morally indifferent". A delegation of furious citizens accused him of being "auto-cratic and despotic" and showing "intolerable disre-spect" for the opinions of political, religious and community leaders in the islands.

The Foreign Office insists Mr Bourke will have served his full term and said he would be "transferring to a new appointment on secondment to The Prince's Trust".

Indian tribe to come home BY JAMES BONE

MORE than a century after it was chased from its land, one of America's most celebrated Indian tribes is being invited by to come home to earn tourist dollars for the whites who defeated them.

Community leaders in the remote Wallowa valley in Oregon are helping to raise money to establish a 160-acre cultural centre for the Nez Perce, who fought one of the last Indian wars. The Nez Percé, named in for

their pierced noses, have become a popular example of cooperation with white settlers since the film Dances With Wolves, the tale of a white soldier taken in by the Sioux.

A best-selling book this year told the story of how Nez Perce saved the expedition known as the Corps of Discovery from starvation in 1805 and 1806, and were rewarded by the federal Government with the grant of land in 1855. Whites invaded their land in the gold

rushes of the 1860s and 1870s,

and in 1877 the US Army ordered the tribe to leave its home in northeast Oregon. Refusing to be moved to a smaller reservation in Idaho, Young Chief Joseph led the tribe on a 1,500-mile march

Oregon whites beg expelled

that made newspaper headlines round the world. Inflicting damage with hit-and-run raids on the pursuing US troops, Young Chief Joseph eventually surrendered near the Canadian border with about 250 warriors and 500

women, children and old folk. "It is cold and we have no fire, no blankets," Chief Joseph said in a speech still studied by American schoolchildren. The children are crying for food and we have none to give ... My heart is sick and sad. From where the sun now stands, Joseph will

fight no more forever."

The Government broke its promise to allow Chief Joseph to return to Wallowa to be near his father's grave, herded the Nez Percé into railway

carriages and moved them to the malaria-infested lowlands of Oklahoma, where many died. A heartbroken Chief

Joseph died in 1904. The current residents of the town of Wallowa, which calls itself the "Gateway to the Land of Chief Joseph", recognise that the Nez Percé might again become a valuable resource. With the timber industry flag-ging, their hope is that the planned tribal cultural centre will become a tourist attraction. They have already ob-tained a \$250,000 grant from an Oregon historical group to purchase the land.

The 4,000 living members of the tribe hope the cultural centre will enable them to recapture their language, religion and customs.

"I am a great believer in what goes around comes around," said Earl "Taz" Connor, the great-grandson of Old Chief Joseph, Young Chief Joseph's father. "It is our turn to come around again."



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By Christopher Thomas, south asia correspondent, and Vijitha Yapa in colombo

SRI LANKAN armed forces were fighting last night to save the last beleaguered survivors after hundreds of troops were slaughtered by Tamil Tiger rebels at a strategic military base in the northeast.

One of the Colombo Government's greatest military disasters in 13 years of civil war, it has far-reaching political and security implications.

The guerrillas claimed yesto have killed more than 1,200 soldiers in five days of fighting for control of the Mullaitivu base, the loss of which would be a calamity for the morale of the armed forces. The Tigers say they lost 241, of whom 61 were women. in last Thursday's battle and that they have now taken full control of the camp.

The Sri Lankan Army was convinced it had gained the upper hand in the war after forcing the rebels from their final strongholds on the Jaffna peninsula earlier this year.

The rebels have proved that they remain effective both as a guerrilla and a conventional fighting force, compelling the armed forces to make a hurthreat. The assault has demonstrated that the war is far from over, for all the recent months of optimism and - it belief that the Tigers were fighting for survival.

The Government insisted that the Mullaitivu garrison was still being defended by a small number of troops last night and had not fallen, although the Tigers claimed to have seized full control two

The armed forces said they were making desperate efforts to land relief troops by sea, but had been surrounded and attacked with mortar fire. The authorities admitted that only "remnants" of the garrison remained alive, occupying only part of the base.

Political implications are grave. Jaffna Tamils, believing the Tigers to be all but defeated, had started responding to government overtures to put the war behind them and, for a few months, there seemed a real hope of peace and even reconciliation between Tamils and the majority Sinhalese. The Govern-



Sri Lankan Army buglers bid farewell to the commanding officer of a special forces unit killed in an attempted rescue of the Mullaitivu garrison

with plans for constitutional reforms to reassure Tamils. that they will never again come under Sinhalese domination, further enhancing peace hopes.

Troops who captured former Tiger-held territory generally treated civilians respectfully, contributing significantly to an improvement of the ethnic and political atmo-

sphere. Thousands who fled homes on the Jaffna peninsula as troops advanced decided to return, if nervously. This optimanding obedience mism has suddenly collapsed. Tamils in the north. Government strategy, if not in

ruins, is in turmoil. The Tigers, reeling from the loss of their de facto Tamil homeland on the peninsula, Jaffna City. Those who defied

fighters for those of two other

Israelis lost in Lebanon in

1986, has vowed to continue

his mission to try to bring the

Israeli negotiators had at first

refused to continue the discus-

sions that led to Sunday's

dramatic exchange until they

received news about Major

Arad. "We then said we would

try to get information about

hardline Israeli Defence Min-

ister, last night publicly

Yitzhak Mordechai, the

whole chapter to a close. Sheikh Nasrallah said that them, believing the rebels no longer posed a threat, will now fear reprisals from an organisation known for ruthlessly de-

The armed forces have plainly overstretched themselves after capturing Jaffina City late last year and, in the following few months, the entire peninsula. The east of

from Tiger attacks because troop numbers have been drastically reduced to reinforce Jaffna and areas immed-

rebels are now centred. The Tigers put up little determined resistance as troops began their siege of the peninsula last year, it is now clear that they made a tactical

istely to the south, where the

retreat and have spent the past

six months regrouping.

The loss of the Mullaitivu garrison and the surrounding area would once more give the rebels control of territory which, while much smaller than their previous Jaffna stronghold, is nevertheless a symbolic "homeland".

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Hezbollah says Israeli airman vanished

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

THE mystery surrounding the fate of Major Ron Arad, the Israeli Air Force navigator captured in Lebanon a decade ago, deepened yesterday when Hezbollah claimed that he had slipped his captors shortly after his plane came down in October 1986.

Sheikh Hassan Nasrallah. Hezbollah's secretary-general. said in Beirut that Major Arad's guard had left his post for a while and, when he rehad disappeared. The navigator was captured, aged 28, by an Islamic group, the Faithful Resistance, after his plane was shot down while attacking guerrilla targets near Sidon. The sheikh told a news

conference that Hezbollah negotiators gave information during secret talks leading to Sunday's complex exchange of bodies and prisoners with Israel that Major Arad's guard left his post because of what he described only as a "a human and family problem".

The Hezboliah leader added: "When he returned, he saw the door was broken open and dead or not, or who he is with now." He pledged his group would continue to seek information about the major, married with a daughter.

Major Arad is the only one of four Israelis still classified as missing in action in Lebanon about whom there is any realistic hope that he is still alive. Without specific information, Israelis have clung to the belief that he is being held by a pro-tranian group, either in Lebanon or in Iran itself.

Bernd Schmidbauer, the German intelligence official

Lahore bomb kills nine

Karachi: A bomb devastated a crowded airport terminal building in Pakistan's northern city of Labore yesterday, killing at least nine people and wounding 15, most of them critically (Zahid Hus-

sain writes). The bomb was placed under a concrete bench in a snack bar outside the departure lounge. Hundreds of passengers and visitors ran for safety as the bomb went off witnesses said. No group has admitted responsibility

Juror dismissed in backpacker trial

FROM ROGER MAYNARD IN SYDNEY

THE unexplained dismissal of a male jurior during the judge's summing-up in the backpacker murder trial has aroused new speculation over a case that has gripped Australia for four months.

There was no hint that sickness was involved. Court sources said the surprise development would be explained once the trial was over.

The case, expected to endand most expensive in Australian criminal history. Ivan

Milat, a 51-year-old roadworker, has pleaded not guilty to the murder of seven young backpackers, including two British women - Caroline Clarke from Slaley in Northumberland and Joanne Walters from Maesteg in Mid Glamorgan — and the kidnap-ping of Paul Onions, an English tourist from Willenhall, West Midlands.

Yesterday the judge continis expected to be completed by Thursday.

800 die in Chinese floods

Peking: Hundreds of thousands of troops backed rescue workers yesterday in the battle against floods in southern and central China that have killed more than 800.

Amid warnings that the worst was yet to come, thunderstorms have already flattened hundreds of houses and left four million people stranded. The floods have wiped out 2.5 million acres of crops and destroyed 810,000 buildings. Damage is estimated at 40 billion yuan (£3 billion).

In the southern region of Guangai, the industrial city of Liuzhou had been under water four storeys high before the floods receded over the weekend. (Reuter, AP)

in store

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Britons held on cocaine charges

Athens: John Benson, 39. of London, and Martin Jackson. 43. of Liverpool, have been arrested in Piracus, the Greek capital's port city, on charges of trying to smuggle 17lb of cocaine into Greece from Brazil (John Carr writes). The police said that, acting on a tip, they had raided Mr Benson's hotel room near the main yacht marina in Piracus after he arrived in Greece on a flight from São Paulo.

Boy of 14 in solo Pacific voyage

Tokyo: A Japanese boy aged 14 set sail from here, bidding to become the youngest person to make a solo crossing of the Pacific Ocean, Subaru Takahashi, from Shirone in central Japan, hopes to make the 5,180-mile voyage from Tokyo Bay to San Francisco in 50 days. His 30ft yacht is stocked with food and water for 60 days. (Reuter)

Horse sense

Pisa: Horses pulling tourist maches in this Italian city will have to wear paper nappies to keep streets clean. And when a horse soils its underwear, coachmen have been told by change it, putting used mappies in special roadside bins.

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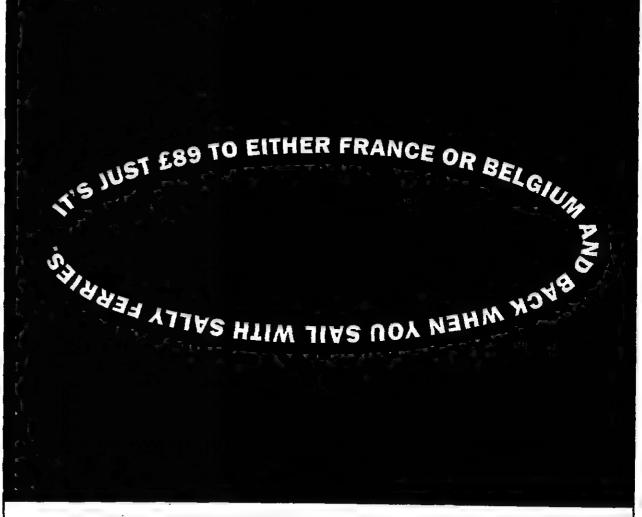
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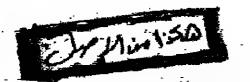
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Options raised in store float

By Sarah Cunningham

DIRECTORS of Somerfield, the supermarket chain, are to receive extra share options to make up for a cut in the flotation price to 160p.

According to a mini-

prospectus issued yesterday to take into account the issue price, which was earlier indicated at 180p to 190p, David Simons, chief executive, will receive op-tions allowing him to subscribe for 787,500 shares after three years. in the earlier prospectus, the number was 681,081. It has been raised to ensure the shares are still worth four times his £315,000 salary.

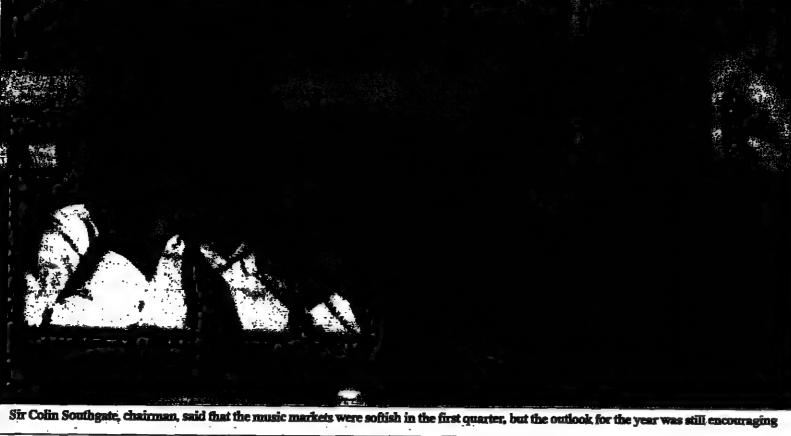
Under a long-term incentive scheme, he can exears and depending on Somerfield's earnings performance, 984,375 ordinary shares, rather than 851.351, so they are still worth five times his salary. Other directors' option and incentive entitlements have also risen to compen-

sate for a lower float price. The directors' cash bocroses have been cut from a maximum £13 million to about £8.5 million. Mr Simons will receive a £3.87 million bones and will company. At the top of the original 180p to 190p price range, he would have received £5.66 million and invested £2.2 million.

Somerfield. formerly Gateway, armounced late on Priday, that it was cutting its float price because of a weak market for new issues. It had not been expected to approvince the price until July 26.

Analysts are divided on whether the issue, even at the lower price, will be a success. One said: "It has never been a question of price, it is a question of quality." However, Philip Dorgan, of SGST, reconmends a speculative buy on the basis that a prospective p/e of 6.3 and gross yield of quately reflect the risks".

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Protests force new delay over Gas price controls

lator, has again postponed new price controls on British Gas, raising the prospect that they may be watered down in the face of intense opposition from the com-

pany and its shareholders. Clare Spottiswoode, Director-General of Ofgas, was seeking to impose controls that would cut the revenue of TransCo, British Gas's pipe-line business, by £850 million a year and reduce household bills by around £30.

Yesterday she said that she plans to announce final proposals by mid-August. Her decision will have been delayed by six weeks beyond the date planned when the controversial first-draft proposals were made in May.

The delay comes amid mounting concern over safety implications and after pressure from institutional investors over the effects of Ofgas's initial proposals.

countered a wave of protests from investors, unions and the company, complaining that the plans were too draconian. it emerged yesterday that the Gas Consumers Council has become increasingly worried about the impact on safety

of the five-year TransCo price plan. Ian Powe, director of the mately jeopardise Britam's safety record for gas supply."

Mr Powe said: "A delay is

the proposals." The HSE, which has held

council, has written to the Director-General of the Health and Safety Executive, saying: The council cannot ignore British Gas's published assertion that the Ofgas price control proposals ... will ulti-

sensible. It gives more time for the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) and the Department of Trade and Industry to appraise safety implications of

meetings with Ofgas, is rinder-

stood to be waiting for a report

BY CHRISTENE BUCKLEY

the proposals. Unions have already delivered a stark warning to Ofgas over safety. In a joint submis-

sion, Unison, the GMB, TGWU and GMA said: "No one will guarantee that the regulator's proposals will not lead to greater risks to the



AC MORO TOTAL TOTAL of a greater number of deaths from gas explosions and their

Ofgas has received more than 35,000 letters from British Gas shareholders and consumers and has had a stream of representations from large investors. The regulator has recruited SBC Warburg, the investment bank, to advise on the impact of the price plans on British Gas's share price and dividend

prospects.
TransCo is the profitable half of British Gas. Next year it will be demerged from the supply side of the company, which will also be saddled with the expensive take-or-pay contract obligations.

Ofgas and British Gas are at odds over the latest delay. with Ofgas blaming additional information provided by the company, and British Gas condemning Ofgas for not

received some data on Sunday and that a quick decision was further hampered by the fact that Ms Spottiswoode and Eileen Marshall, the regulator's chief economic adviser, have holidays booked.

Philip Rogerson, deputy chairman of British Gas, said he was disappointed by the delay. This causes further uncertainty for employees and shareholders, although we hope the time will be well used to go through all the figures." In spite of persistent specu-lation that Ofgas is close to softening its stance Mr Rogerson said the gap be-tween the sides over the con-

trois remains considerable. It is still largely expected that the issue be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission after British Gas rejects the final price formula nest month.

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may face £30m

The base salary of James Phield, chief executive of EMI £2.4 million in share awards, plus £869,000 in pension con-

13.1 per cent from the compashares, to £16.93.

Simon Duffy, finance director, said the £30 million charge was a worst-case scenario and depended on how many of the 230 or so former Rumbelows lesses reverted to Thorn during the bankruptcy proceedings of Escom, the German company that took over the electrical stores. Sir Colin Southgate, chair-

In an effort to reverse the decline, Radio Rentals is putting more rental products. such as pes and white goods, in its stores, and is introducing rent-to-own schemes that are popular in North America.

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Thorn charge

By ERIC REGULY

Thorn EMI, the music and rentals group that is to demerge next month, said it faced a £30 million charge on former Rumbelows leases and that trading in the music divison was slightly weaker

Music, is to rise from the current £2.3 million to £2.6 million in 1999. The company revealed that he received in-centives of £1.9 million in cash, tributions last year.

Thorn EMI reported pre-tax profits of £65 million in the quarter to the end of June, up rable period last year. The results, which were below the £70 million plus in profits forecast by the City, helped to trigger a 420 slide in the

man, said that the music markets were softish in the SI QUARTER, Dut the outlook for the year was still encouraging. Operating profits at EMI Music in the quarter rose 4 per cent to £41.2 million on turnover that rose marginally to E535.2 million.

Operating profits at Thorn, the rentals division, grew 12 per cent to £41.1 million on turnover of £394.8 million, up 9.2 per cent. Profits in the UK, wever, declined 5.3 per cent to £14.3 million because of the expansion costs of the Crazy George business and a decline in sales at Radio Rentals.

Thorn EMI's adjusted earn-

ings per share were up 9.8 per cent to 9p. Net borrowings fell £86.4 million to £469.4 million.

ICS pays out record £25m

BY ROBERT MILLER

THE Investors Compensation Scheme (ICS), ultimate safety net for investors who lose money through bad advice, theft or fraud, paid out a record £25.5 million in 1995. bringing the total paid out since 1988 to more than £100

A further E3 million of oustanding compensation offers are still in the pipeline. The ICS, which paid compensation to 1,524 investors in the year to March 1996, also

reported that a record 71 firms

were declared in default, the

mechanism necessary to trigger compensation payments. Myra Kinghorn, ICS chief executive said about 1,200 new claims were received dur-

ing the year to March 1996, of which 55 per cent related to losses caused by negligent advice and 22 per cent were new home income-plan

The compensation scheme which pays out a maximum of £48,000 to each claimant, said claims in respect of bad advice cost between £800 and £1,500 to process. Ms Kinghorn said: "Given the expected increase in the proportion of morecomplex claims, we have focused on achieving a morestreamlined claims handling

system." The ICS is braced for a significant increase in the number of compensation claims relating to mis-sold

personal pensions. So far, only seven firms have been

derived in default. ☐ The Securities and Investments Board (SIB) has extended the transitional wind-down period for Fimbra to October 1997. It is expected that Lautro will have completed its regulatory responsibilities by October I, 1996. SIB revoked the recognitions of Fimbra and Lautro as self-regulatory organisations in June 1994. Revocation was made subject to a transitional wind-down period to provide for continuity of regulation while members moved to the Personal

Investment Authority. City Diary, page 29

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Tesco rules out bid for Docks

TESCO has decided against making a white knight bid for Docks de France, owner of Mammouth, the hypermarket chain. Instead, Docks will bow to an improved takeover offer from Anchan, a privately owned French retailer (Sarah Conningham writes).
Tesso is understood to have

given serious consideration to buying Docks, which was seeking a white knight to stave off a hostile £2.1 billion bid by Auchan, which is believed to have improved its offer by up to five per cent. Tesco is believed to have decided the acquisition would not provide enough shortterm benefit to sharely to justify a price tag of about

Costain rescue approved

BY OUVER ADJUST AND ELEANOR REES

COSTAIN, the troubled construction company, won approval from shareholders yesterday for its E73 million rescue plan. The shares rose 7p to 46p after the suspension of the Stock Exchange listing was lifted following the vote. The plan, which could give

the Malaysian investor Intria a 40 per cent stake, was endorsed by 76.5 per cent of extraordinary meeting.

um to look for new investors.

mareholders who voted at the During the past week Costain battled over the plan with its two largest, Middle Eastern, shareholders who both have a 19 per cent stake. Kharafi & Sons had called for a three-month debt moratori-

But Costain won over Raymond International hours before the meeting started, putting support comfortably above the 50 per cent mark.

Shareholders leaving the meeting described it as 'angry" and "rowdy". There was a 100-strong police presence outside the venue, in central London, which was besieged by a group of Newbury bypass protesters. Costain has been contracted to build the bypass. huide, the board told share-

bolders who thought the plan undervalued the company that the choice was between accepting the Intria bid or letting the company go into

receivership. Chris Wolfe, a smali shareholder, said: "It was presented as a take-it-orleave it deal."

The plan was presented in the form of two resolutions. both decided by a vote. Alan Lovell, chief executive. rejected shareholders' fears that Intria could increase its stake further and win control. He said: "Intria won approval from the Monopolies and Mergers Commission to take a 40 per cent stake without a

referral, but not more." There is a three-for-one open offer of new shares, which will close next Saturday. Costain expects to announce Intria's exact stake on the following Monday.



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Energy shares continue to slide

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY

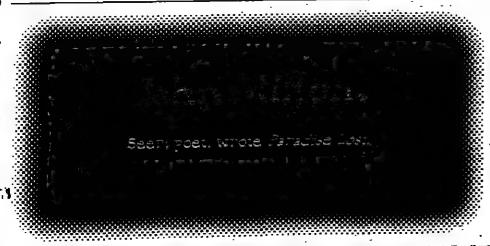
BRITISH ENERGY shares fell again yesterday as share shops prepared to send out certificates to thousands of private investors. The fall came in spite of a clean bill of health being given to the two reactors shut just hours before the end of the public offer for share applications. The shares lost 2½ p, to 97p,

although they had initially risen to just above the private issue price after British Energy said that no reheat cracks were found at Hunterston B in Scotland and Hinkley Point B in Somerset. The reactors were closed after British Energy safety committees feared they could have the rebeat cracking problems that were dogging sister reactors. The move was made public only hours after the public offer had closed but before the end of the offer to situtional investors.

The share price is expected to come under further pressure in the next few days as private investors start receiving the certificates that will enable them to sell. Many small investors are thought to have bought the shares in the

hope of selling quickly. British Energy is the first privatisation to fall to a discount since the 1987 stock market crash impacted on the second offering of BP shares. Some analysts believe the share price will settle around 90p, 10p below the price paid by private investors, and 15p below that for institutions.

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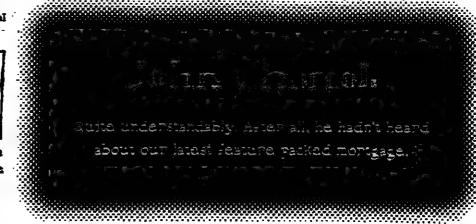


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Engineers seek National Insurance cashback

INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

COMPANIES achieving the Government's main training standard should receive a £100 cashback payment on their National Insurance contributions, engineering companies propose

In its Budget submission to the Chancellor. the Engineering Employers' Federation (EEF) proposes training incentives to try to close Britain's skills gap with competitors.

The EEF puts forward two specific fiscal incentives on training. As well as the proposal

ment's Investors in People scheme should qualify for a one-off £100 rebate on their employers' NICs, the EEF recommends that employers should be allowed to offset against tax the cost of training programmes necessary

for lifetime learning, and not just current needs.

Graham Mackenzie, EEF director-general, says: "Lifelong learning is at the heart of our Budget submission because investment in training is the primary way the UK engineering industry can maintain its competitiveness and keep pace with technology."

While rejecting any big tax changes, the

engineering companies say in their submission: "We strongly oppose any increase in business taxes, such as corporation tax or indeed a reduction in dividend tax credits in order to fund tax cuts for employees and consumers." If there is any scope for cutting taxes, the EEF believes that any benefits should be shared between industry and consumers.

The engineering industry is not proposing any major shifts in policy in the Budget, suggesting instead that the Government maintains initiatives that continue to lead to sustainable growth with low inflation, low interest rates and stable exchange rates.

EEF leaders say that the risks of capacity and skill shortages, rising inflation and a rapidly worsening trade deficit are not great, though they accept that their earlier expectation of 27 per cent growth for the economy overall, and 3 per cent in engineering, next year "now looks more doubtful

Engineering companies also put forward their traditional claim for plant and machinery capital allowances, but this year suggest an interim measure, aimed at favouring smaller companies, by proposing that firms employing up to 500 people should be able to set the first E250,000 of investment fully against tax.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Chiltern Railways joins private sector

CHILTERN RAILWAYS, the eighth of the 25 British Rail passenger franchises to be sold, began operating in the private sector yesterday after being awarded to a management buyout group. The completion of the deal means that 42 per cent of the BR passenger network is now operating in the private sector. The 50 per cent barrier is expected to be private sector. The 50 per cent barrier is expected to be breached next month with the sale of the South East

franchise, one of the biggest in the network. The Chiltern deal was backed by 3i, the venture capital group, and John Laing, the construction group. Adrian Shooter, managing director of Chiltern, said that it expected to order 12 new trains within weeks. It will be the first order for new trains in Britain since 1993. The Government said privatisation remained on course for completion before an election. John Watts, Transport Minister, said: "As the eighth rail franchise passes into the private sector, Labour offers passengers nothing but a return to a state-owned British Rail."

BT cleared by Oftel

OFTEL, the telecommunications regulator, yesterday accepted British Telecom's explanation that it did not misuse confidential information when it contacted exdirectory cable customers to try to win them back. BT admitted that ex-directory customers had been approached but blamed the calls on a computer encoding error. BT said that it had made an honest mistake and was not surprised that it had been cleared of managing a "dirty tricks" campaign. Some cable companies, including TeleWest Communications, asked for an apology from BT.

Blast likely to hit profits

Four employees were were taken to hospital after an explosion at Tate & Lyle's sugar beet plant in Scottsbluff, Nebraska, the company said yesterday. A fifth employee has yet to be accounted for. Tate & Lyle said that the explosion was likely to hit 1996 profits by £10 million. The company said that any effect on results for the year ending September 1997 would require "further evaluation of the damage" after Sunday's blast. The cause of the explosion has yet to be established. Shares of Tate & Lyle fell 24 p to

Reckitt sells Brazil stake

RECKITT & COLMAN, the household products group, has sold its Brazilian coatings and pigments subsidiary in a £60.1 million deal, it was announced yesterday. The sale of its 80 per cent stake in Globo Tintas Pigmentos takes the funds that Reckitt has raised from disposals of non-core businesses to more than £400 million over three years. Reckitt's aim is to become the world's leading household product manufacturer. In the year to December 31, Globo made a pre-tax profit of £8.9 million, £7.1 million of which went to Reckitt.

Hanover to buy hotels

HANOVER International, the property company, is acquiring six hotels from UFB Group for £40 million. They are the Hinckley Island Hotel, Leicestershire, Kirtons Hotel, near Reading, Berkshire, the Daventry Hotel, Northamptonshire, Randells Hotel, North Yorkshire, Springfield Park Hotel, Huddersfield, and the Ashbourne Lodge Hotel, Derbyshire. The deal will be financed via a placing and open offer of new shares and a conditional secured loan facility.

Bank advisers confident

ADVISERS to the Bank of Scotland were "quietly confident" last night after the first day of the book-building exercise to sell Standard Life's £900 million holding in the bank's shares. BZW is collating the bids from institutional fund managers on a minute-by-minute basis and could close the exercise tonight rather than tomorrow, as originally scheduled. Talk in the City of the shares falling to a substantial discount after the placing, possibly to 220p a share, appears not to have affected market sentiment and the bank's shares closed unchanged at 234p.

L&M revamp hits snag

LONDON & Manchester, the life and pensions group, yesterday admitted that reorganisation of its traditional home service division was taking longer than expected as ordinary branch premiums fell almost 28 per cent to £2.2 million. Industrial branch premiums fell 36 per cent in the six months to June 30 to £900,000. Total new annual premiums at L&M were up 2 per cent to £12.8 million, while total new single premiums were 22 per cent higher at £26.1 million, L&M has opened 18 new home service centres around Britain.

Allied Carpets hope

TRADERS expect an opening premium of 15p-20p to the 215p float price when trading in Allied Carpets shares begins today. The float price was set on Friday at the lower end of the 205p to 235p indicated range, in response to market conditions for new issues, valuing the company at £189.3 million against £200 million hoped for. Allied Carpets said the intermediaries offer, intended for small investors, was not fully subscribed but institutions had taken up the slack. Most analysts have recommended the issue as good value.

Electric car launch

TOYOTA is to begin selling its RAV4L EV three-door electric vehicle this September, though initially only in Japan. Toyota hopes to sell 100 of the vehicles annually in three regions where most battery recharging stations are located. Japan has 59 such stations at present. The electric car, which will use advanced nickel-metal hydride batteries, will be priced at 4.95 million yen (£29,500). Toyota has sold 92 of its Town Ace vehicles to local government offices, electric power companies and co-operatives in Japan since its launch in January 1993.

Britain will fight issue of 48-hour week at IGC

By PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE Government intends to take the issue of working time to the European inter-governmental conference (IGC) if, as expected, Britain loses its appeal in the European Court against a Brussels directive setting a maximum 48-hour

working week. Business leaders are concerned about the impact of a forthcoming European Court judgment on industry's ability to organise the working patterns of its employees, though Labour and trades union leaders insist that the move will do no more than bring Britain into line with successful EU competitor countries.

Senior business leaders and government ministers are

Copyright wins over key clients

COPYRIGHT Promotions has become the second biggest name in the German character licensing market after winning key clients from its rival, Merchandising Munchen (Fraser Nelson writes)

The exodus comes after the German media company, Kirch Gruppe Munchen, sold Munchen to TV company PRO-7. This cancelled Copyright's joint venture with Munchen, allowing it to set up its own German subsidiary. It has since been joined by seven of Munchen's key executives, and three of Munchen's largest clients.

Group profits in the year to April 30 were badly hit by a sharp downturn in UK royalty payments. In spite of achieving record turnover, 65 per cent ahead at £5.8 million, pretax profits fell 37 per cent, to £303,000. Earnings fell to 2.46p per share (3.78p). The final dividend was lp, maintaining the year

total at 1.5p.

bracing themselves for the judgment on Britain's appeal against the legal basis of the European Commission's working time directive. The judgment could come this month, but Whitehall expects it will be in September.

Gillian Shephard, the Education and Employment Secretary, announced yesterday that if Britain loses its appeal as is widely expected after the formal opinion given by the court's Advocate General, then the Government will take the issue to the current IGC negotiations on the future of the EU.

Conservative Euro-sceptics are pressing ministers to take action against Europe, on the lines of the co-operation ban over beef, and the Government's planned move to the IGC is clearly an attempt to

partly satisfy such demands. But it is a tacit acknowledgement by ministers that they have no grounds of appeal against the European Court's judgment, and so have to find

other methods. Mrs Shephard said yesterday that the Advocate General's ruling was not encouraging, but added: "We have to decide what we can do through the forum of the IGC." The Government would seek at the IGC to amend the legal basis on which the working time directive has been brought, she said, and it would question the role and powers of the European Court

in enforcing it.

Mrs Shephard said:

"Should the judgment go against us, there is no doubt that the IGC will be used to express our total opposition, and to keep health and safety law - the legal basis of the working time directive -

strictly to that issue." Mrs Shephard added: "I think people in this country will be unenthusiastic that their opportunity for overtime might be constrained by a ruling of the European Court." She accused the court of "unwelcome interference" in matters strictly between employers and employees.



Bank voices concern over inadequate control systems

BY ROBERT MILLER

ONE of the Bank of England's most senior directors yesterday took the unusual step of releasing the text of a private letter that outlines concerns inadequate internal banking controls.

A senior Bank source said last night that the decision to o public with the letter, only the second time such an event has occurred, indicated how seriously the Bank took its 'crusade against fraud".

In the letter to 500 banks based in the UK and regulated by the Bank, Michael Foot says: "We are still observing some blurring of responsibilities between trading operations' front and back offices. Examples include dealers pricing part or all of their own portfolios or monitoring their own adherence to limits, with no strong independent middle or back office control. Segre gation of duties can only achieve its objective if it is effectively performed. A theoretical control will not stop

abuse." Mr Foot, who also draws attention in his letter to unauthorised deposit taking and the ever present danger of fraudulent schemes, such as "prime bank guarantees" and certain stand-by letters of credit, continues: "In many of the cases which have come to our attention the procedures appeared adequate on paper. faced with a determined individual or weak operatives.

"A control system can only be judged by whether it operates in practice and under stress, no matter how efficient it may seem in theory."

Heathrow Express stake sold

By Jonathan Prynn, transport correspondent

BAA has bought out British Rail's 30 per cent stake in Heathrow Express for £19.8 million, giving the airports company full control of the

£350 million rail link project. Heathrow Express was set up as a joint venture in 1993 with BAA taking 70 per cent and BR 30 per cent of the initial £51 million equity. The link is expected to open in June

BAA said it will continue to work in partnership with Railtrack, which owns the line between Paddington station and the airport junction, and is responsible for work on the Great Western mainline. A BAA spokesman said the

deal was an administrative

tidying up exercise that brought ownership of Heathrow Express under one roof. They were happy to sell it and were happy to buy it and it is operationally sensible," he said. BR would have been obliged to sell its stake eventually anyway because of the Government's rail privatisa-

Earnings grew to 10.1p per share (5.5p).

LEADING computer com-

Intel Corp and Advanced Micro Devices Inc, of the US, and Japan's Fujitsu, parent company of Britain's ICL, and Sharp Corp agreed yesterday to standardise the software interface of their flash memories, basically making the products compatible.

Flash memories are readand notebook computers.

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CCI HOLDINGS, the ALM-

quoted clay-pigeon and shoot-ing-products company, said it

may make its maiden divi-

dend payment a year earlier

than planned, as it reported pre-tax profits of £115,000

(£62,000) for the six months to

June 30 (Fraser: Nelson

The company, formed in

February 1995 on the acquisi-

said sales were constrained by

the capacity of its machines.

which currently produce 100

million clay pigeons a year. This number is due to be lifted

to 150 million from October,

when a £500,000 capital-ex-

penditure programme is Jonathan Cridland, CCI

chairman, said competition

from La Porte, its French

competitor, had been weaker

than usual over the six months. Demand for the com-

pany's spin-offs, Clay Rabbit

and Clay Pheasant, was grow-

ing sharply, particularly in

The group had scheduled its first dividend payment for 1998, but said this would be

brought forward to May 1997

if the good results continued.

write).

the US.

AS THE Commons Treasury Select Committee meets again today to question two former senior Barings executives about their role in the £830 million crash, a senior City watchdog will approve tough new guidelines on the responsibilities of senior executive officers and directors.

Ron Baker, former head of Barings' financial products group, and Ian Hopkins, who headed group treasury and about events leading to the

spectacular collapse of Britain's oldest merchant bank. At the same time, the enforcement committee of the Securities and Futures Authority, regulator for brokers and futures dealers, will look at the rules "on publicity and managerial responsibility in

the light of the Barings case". Nicholas Durlacher, chairman of the SFA, writing in the watchdog's Briefing maga-zine, specifically refers to the cases of Peter Baring, former chairman of the bank, and

Andrew Tuckey, his deputy. After an SFA investigation, Mr Baring agreed never to work in the City again, while Mr Tuckey agreed to play a restricted role. Mr Durlacher admits that

City tightens rules for executives

the absence of finding guilt against the two most senior people in charge "led to a torrent of criticism". But "the investigations simply did not uncover enough evidence of wrong-doing by them that would have sustained a prosecution for rule breaches".



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Computer firms agree on flash memory chip

only memory chips. Their capacity is still limited com-pared with dynamic random access memories, which store data in personal computers. But demand is growing for flash memories in hand-held electronic devices because they retain data after the power is turned off. Their biggest potential lies in miniature cards, a memory device used in digital stills cameras, audio equipment, cellular phones

Prices soar as supply and demand diverge

Rich mixture from oil giants

TEXACO, Mobil, Amoco and Atlantic Richfield (Arco) yesterday reported strong second-quarter earnings, as de-mand surged while oil and natural gas supplies shrank and prices soared. Exxon Corp's profits edged lower from record levels of a year ago as the company spent more on capital and

exploration, and Occidental Petroleum

Corp's results were hurt by lower

transport margins. Texaco said its net income soured to \$689 million in the quarter from \$271 million. Revenues rose to \$11.3 billion from \$9.3 billion. Excluding special items, second-quarter net income was \$465 million, up 72 per cent on the second quarter of 1995.

FROM A CORRESPONDENT IN NEW YORK

Crude oil prices on the New York Mercantile Exchange peaked to over \$25 a barrel in early April, as stocks fell to 20year lows because of the harsh winter, strong Asian demand and unexpected domestic refinery shutdowns.

Mobil said quarterly profits shot up to \$783 million from \$179 million. Operating income rose 15 per cent to a record \$814 million from \$706 million. Revenues rose to \$19.5 billion from \$18.8 billion. Latest results include a one-time charge of \$31 million to restructure staff support services. A year ago, the company took \$527 million in charges.

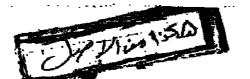
While Exxon also benefited from higher crude oil and natural gas prices, it suffered

and exploration spending that grew to \$2.3 billion from \$2 billion. Profits slipped to \$1.57 billion in the quarter from a record \$1.63 billion. Revenue rose to \$32.2 billion from \$31.7 billion. Amoco said its net income rose 13 per

cent to \$600 million from \$533 million. Revenues climbed to \$8.76 billion from \$7.71 billion. Areo said its profits soured to \$434 million in the second quarter from \$391 million. Revenues rose to \$5.07 billion from \$4.69 billion. Occidental said its net income fell to

\$181 million from \$187 million because of lower margins on transporting gas. Sales slid to \$2.5 billion from \$2.7 billion. Comparable results for last year included from lower chemical prices and capital. a \$109 million charge to settle litigation.

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☐ Broadcasting Bill threatens little upheaval ☐ The smaller company's view of the City ☐ Over-generosity at Somerfield

Do not adjust your set

THE soap opera, off the schedules for a year or more while the main players took a sabbatical to open supermarkets. appear in panto and spend time on their other business interests, is about to resume. The Broadcasting Bill, which receives Royal Assent at the end of the month, will transform the media landscape. It will overhaul cross-media ownership rules, leading to be a wave of takeovers and mergers and set-ting the framework for the bold new digital era. Nothing will

ever be the same again. Or so the analysts would have us believe, and the message is buy, buy, buy now. But will it? Or is the Bill, in fact, shaping up to be the production that never quite made it onto our screens?

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The legislation covers important matters, notably the relaxation of media ownership rules and the creation of digital terrestrial television, and a grab-bag of lesser issues such as modifications to Channel 4 funding and the privatisation of the BBC's transmission system.

On the first, the Government is to replace the two-licence limit on ITV tranchises with an ownership limit of 15 per cent of the total viewing audience. This will exter-minate many of the smaller ITV

companies, as power is consolichannels. Satellite, in either an-alogue or digital form, looks more attractive. Analogue sat-ellite has an enormous base of dated among the biggest. But the game is mostly played out here. Cariton and Granada already dominate the ITV market and existing viewers while digital satellite, when it arrives, will will no doubt gobble up HTV and Yorkshire Tyne Tees Television when those shares come off the boil. Although newspaper

have cheaper transmission costs. British media companies, and investors in the same, should not groups can get into the game, the be tricked into thinking that the Broadcasting Bill will change their fortunes overnight. It will take time, and the smartest two largest, News International, owner of The Times, and the Mirror Group have been ordered to sit on the bench players will ignore it. Their best because they each control more growth opportunities, as they than 20 per cent of newspaper always have, remain overeas.

Feeding time for the fund managers

☐ ASKING the average smaller company finance director what he thinks of fund managers is rather like polling the Christians for their views on the lions. Such is the relationship between smaller companies, market capitalisation £250 million down to £20 million and frantically waving for the City's attention.

Pennington



dustry that is largely indifferent to their existence.

Such indifference has often been justified, because the cor-porate casualties have been among the wannabes, and those who have tried too hard. But the

rewards are there, too.

A poll of fund managers as ranked by the smaller companies themselves ought to produce a list of the most supine, and the st willing to ask searching questions. A pity, therefore, that Reuters cannot accompany their latest research with a cross-check of how many of those cuddly fund managers so loved by the

companies have achieved attractive returns on their smaller company funds. The best rule of thumb has always been, the more unpopular the fund manager, the better at the job.

The "winner" of the latest of Reuters' three-monthly surveys, if winner there must be, is SBC

Warburg, deeply loved both by fund managers for its dedicated smaller company service — most securities houses have no such thing, their individual industry sector analysts going as far down the pecking order as they are required by the corporate finance department—and by the finance directors themselve

The losers are harder to idenrify. But one thought occurs. The best-informed analyst on a small company is always with the house broker. He or she may be required to grin and bear it when times are hard, but they know where the bodies are buried.

One might expect that in-depth knowledge to be reflected in the votes of the linance directors. But look at Reuters' ranking of the

various securities houses, as viewed by the finance directors. Merrill Lynch, now owner of Smith New Court, manages second position in their esti-mation even if SNC has a relatively insignificant list of corporate brokerships. Blue chips like Cazenove, in joint 12th place and Panmure Gordon, coming 9th, have much larger client lists. What does that say about their clients' view of the

Off their trolleys

service they are getting?

☐ HERE is an experiment for the weekend. For your weekly shopping head for Somerfield, the supermarket chain once known as Gateway. Fill up your basket, and at the checkout explain to the cashier that the high price of goods in the store, and the resulting hole in your wallet, mean that you would like a few more of them for free. See how far you get. Explain

that the directors of the company are doing it too. The decision to cut the flotation price has hit their cash bonuses. But they will get extra share options to make up for the lower value of the shares. The lower the float is priced at, of course, the more those options are worth. The owners of Somerfield, a clutch of venture capitalists desperate to get out, presumably feel the extra share options are money well spent. But one does wonder why.

Two-way bet

☐ JUST arrived in the same post on fund managers' desks are two shiny new pieces of research from a couple of the City's finest equity strategists, who had better remain nameless. They are considering whether the London stock market automatically tracks movements on Wall Street, an important question in these turbulent markets. The first states conclusively, supported by impressive graphs and statistics, that "the supposed close correlation proves to be a chimera." The second, quoting impressive graphs and statistics, concludes that "the historic 30-90 per cent correlation between the o markets continues to hold." You pays your money . . .

Carlton pays £58m for Cinema Media

Digital terrestrial TV is com-ing, but slowly. The Government

can take much of the blame for

that, simply because it did not set a date for the end of analogue transmission. Ministers lacked

the courage to force millions of

voters to rush out and invest a

small fortune on new wide-screen TVs, decoder boxes and

the like. Furthermore, many

experts believe that DTT, as it is

called, will not be the trans-

mission route of choice for new

CARLTON Communications. the ITV company, became the dominant player in the cinema advertising industry yesterday through the £58.5 million purchase of Cinema Media.

Cinema Media, formerly Rank Screen Advertising, controls 80 per cent of the market for cinema advertising in Brit-ain and 100 per cent in Ireland. Fearl and Dean, owned by Havas of France, is its only competitor.

Nigel Walmsley, Carlton's broadcasting director, said Carlton has wanted to enter the industry for more than a year because of its growth potential. Industry figures show that cinema attendance in Britain has more than

year since the mid-1980s and

shows no signs of slowing. Cinema Media also has growth prospects overseas, he said. The company's management is exploring ways of getting into the Canadian and Indian markets, where cinema advertising is virtually non-existent, and may eventu-

ally tackle the US market. The Rank Organisation sold Cinema Media to its management and Schroder Ventures, the venture capital group, for £20 million in 1992. Schroders owned most of the equity and described the sale to Cariton as

"a very successful deal." Cinema Media has con-tracts with the ABC, National Amusements, Rank, UCI and Virgin cinema chains and

£7 million on turnover of £34.6 million in 1995. Carlton said that trading this year is "sig-nificantly ahead" of last year. The acquisition will not boost gearing because Carlton has about £100 million in cash.

Mr Walmsley said that Cin-ema Media will fit well with Carlton's own airtime advertising business. Carlton, for example, could offer discount packages to TV and cinema

Enron in \$12.5bn US utility merger

BY CHRISTINE BUCKLEY

ENRON, the US gas company with significant interests in the UK, is merging with a US utility to create the largest integrated gas and electricity company in North America. The \$12.5 billion merger with Portland General, the Oregon electricity utility -

Keith Shepherd, chief executive of Cinema Media, and Chris Hicks, finance director, are to leave the company shortly. Mr Shepherd is to be replaced by Adam Poulter, currently marketing director with TDI, the advertising

Portland spareholders will receive one share of Euron common stock for each of their Portland common stockwhile Enron is to con-

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Mr Harrison will also become

vice diairman of the combined

group. Enron, based in Texas, is a joint owner and operator of the Tesside power station and

markets gas to UK industrial

Portland's management

about \$1.1 billion. Kenneth Lay, Enron chair-man and chief executive, giv-ing a further reason for the which depends on regulatory merger, said: The deregulaapproval - will fuse Enron's marketing operations with tion of the electricity market Portland's power supply. in North America represents Ken Harrison, Portland one of the most significant

chairman and chief executive, said the merger, to be executed in a stock-for-stock deal, is a response to the converging gas and electricity markets in the US. He said: This merger is about positioning our companies for competition in an open market, not cost-cutting.

T&N sells **AE Turbine** for £41m

T&N, the automotive engineering group, is selling AE Turbine Components, which makes turbine blades for the aerospace and power-generation industries (Carl Mortished writes).

A UK subsidiary of Precision Castparts Corporation, of America, is paying E41 million in cash for AE Turbine, which made a profit before interest and tax of £1.2 million last year. Sales were £45.7 million and net tangible assets £28 million. About 820 work at Leeds and Wigston, Leicestershire.

TeN said yesterday that the proceeds, after adjustment to reflect net asset value, would reduce group debt. T&N has raised £200 million from the sale of noncore businesses since 1994.

Break-in at office of names' group

BY JON ASHWORTH

POLICE are investigating break-in at the office of a Lloyd's of London action group that has been looking into allegations of fraud in the insurance market. Two men, who were filmed by a security camera, broke into the London premises of the Association of Non-North American Names and removed fax and computer equipment, inchading hard disks."

Catherine Mackenzie Smith, chairman of the associstion, said that the men had singled out her third-floor office in Whitechapel, east London, and kicked the door down, ignoring neighbouring offices in which equipment was clearly on display. Mrs Mackenzie Smith said that "sensitive" information had

been removed, including copies of correspondence with solicitors, and a database of names and addresses.

Mrs Mackenzie Smith has recently been asked by Lloyd's for further details of alleged fraud in the market. She is not alleging that Lloyd's is in any way involved with the break-in, which she put down to "an unfortunate coincidence".

☐ Four Lloyd's members' agents are merging to create a group controlling nearly £500 million of underwriting ca-

RF Kershaw, Castle Members Agents, Holman Mac-leod, and Mariborough Underwriting, are to form a new company, Greenwich Lloyd's Underwriting.

This notice, which has been issued by Somerfield pic and authorised by Kleinwort Benson Limited for the purposes of the Financial Services Act 1986, contains information which has been extracted from a supplementary prospectus (the "Supplementary Prospectus") relating to Somerfield pic dated 22 July 1996. This notice should be read in conjunction with the prospectus (the "Prospectus") relating to Somerfield pic dated 11 July 1996 and the Supplementary Prospectus and terms defined in the Prospectus and the Supplementary Prospectus shall bear the same meaning in this notice. Copies of the Supplementary Prospectus are available at the addresses set out below. Copies of the Supplementary Prospectus have been delivered to the Registrar of Companies in England and Wales for registration in accordance with section 149 of the Financial Services Act 1986. Application has been made to the London Stock Exchange for the whole of the issued ordinary share capital of Somerfield to be admitted to the Official List. It is expected that such admission will become effective and that dealings in the Ordinary Shares will commence on 2 August

SOMERFIELD

Somerfield plc

(incorporated and registered in England and Weles under the Companies Acts 1948 to 1967 with registered number 1162517)

Offer

Kleinwort Benson Limited

of 300,000,000 Ordinary Shares of 10p each at a price of 160p per share payable in full on application and listing on the London Stock Exchange

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The Supplementary Prospectus is supplemental to and should be read in conjunction with the Prospectus. It updates certain information set out in the Prospectus to reflect the announcement on 19 July 1996 of the Offer Price of 160p per Ordinary

2. Offer statistics Offer Price

Number of Ordinary Shares in issue Market capitalisation at the Offer Price Number of Ordinary Shares offered - of which minimum number available in the Retail Offer Adjusted pro forma earnings per Ordinary Share for the year to 27 April 1996¹. Pro forma historic price earnings multiple at the Offer Price Notional historic net dividend per Ordinary Share

Notional historic gross dividend yield at the Offer Price

160p 300,000,000 £480m 300,000,000 60,000,000 22.3p 9.0p 7.0 per cent.

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Notional historic dividend cover

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12 noon on Wednesday, 24 July 4.00 p.m. on Thursday, 25 July Friday, 26 July 8.30 a.m. on Friday, 2 August

The Offer Price has been determined at 160p per Ordinary Share. The proceeds of the Offer, which are all receivable by Somerfield Holdings, will be £480 million. The Offer has not been underwritten. Subject to executing and delivering the Pricing Memorandum (which is expected to happen on or around 26 July 1996), Kleinwort Benson will underwrite the

Completion of the Offer is subject to the conditions in the Offer Agreement and the Offer Agreement not being terminated in accordance with its terms. Somerfield Holdings reserves the right to determine, at any time prior to Listing, not to proceed 5. Executive Directors' share investments

The executive Directors have irrevocably undertaken to offer to acquire Ordinary Shares in the Institutional Offer at the Offer Price and have agreed that they will not sell any of the shares purchased for a period of approximately two years after the Offer subject to certain limited exceptions. The table below sets out the number of Ordinary Shares for which each executive Director has undertaken to apply (and the aggregate consideration payable therefor):

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Save as disclosed in the Supplementary Prospectus, there has been no significant change and no significant new matter has arisen in relation to the Group since 11 July 1996, the date on which the Prospectus was published.

Availability of the Supplementary Prospectus, the Prospectus and Application Forms Copies of the Supplementary Prospectus may be obtained during normal business hours up to and including 5 August 1996 from:

> **Geinwart Benson Limited** 20 Fenchurch Street London EC3P 3DB

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NatiWest Securities Limited 135 Bishopsgate London EC2M 3XT

> **Lloyds Bank Registrars** Antholin House 71 Queen Street, London EC4N 1SL

Copies of the Prospectus and an Application Form may be obtained during normal business hours up to and including 26 July 1996 from the above addresses.

Copies of the Supplementary Prospectus are also available for collection from the Company Announcements Office, London Stock Exchange, Capel Court Entrance, off Bartholomew Lane, London EC2N 1HP during normal business hours up to and including 24 July 1996.



Shares slip and bro forecast further fa

gave up further ground after a further setback for the Dow

Jones average on Friday and in early trading last night. The FT-SE 100 index dived back through the 3,700 level to close 29.2 points down at 3,681.3, having been almost 40 points lower earlier in the session. The message from brokers last night suggested that further falls may be on the way as American financial markets complete their correction in the wake of strength this year that has carried the Dow to new heights.

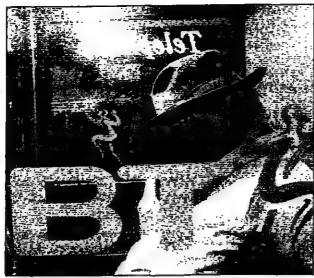
Investors can certainly expect another nervous performance from London during a busy week for economic news and Thursday's meeting of the Bundesbank which, it is hoped, will lead to a cut in German interest rates.

First-quarter figures from Thorn EMI cut little ice in the Square Mile and left the share price nursing a fall of 37p at El6.98. The group issued no fresh details about the proposed demerger of its music and rental business into two separate companies and warned investors that the collapse of Escom, the German computer chain, may cost the group £30 million.

In March, Thorn sold some of its loss-making Rumbelows stores chain to Escom, including the leases on a large number of properties. The fate of Escom could see those leases revert to Thorn. Pre-tax profits from Thorn were £68 million against £63.7 million for the corresponding period.

Worries about a possible rights issue left Tesco 7p cheaper at 276p. The group was making up its mind on whether it wants to launch a counter-bid for Docks de France, the French retailer which has rejected a ELS billion offer from rival Auchan. Docks de France. owns the Mammouth chain of hypermarkets, famous among cross-channel ferry day-trippers. Brokers say Tesco would need to raise extra funds in

order to finance such a deal. 19012p, with ABN Amro Hoare Govett claiming the shares are a buy. Yesterday the company took a swipe at Ofgas, the industry regulator, over the delay in announcing who is to control TransCo. postponed until the middle of August. British Gas said the



Good and bad news left BT shares 5p lower

Ofgas announcement is althree weeks behind schedule and this latest delay will result in further uncertainty for shareholders.

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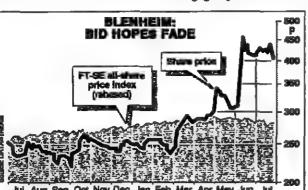
plaints that the company had approached customers who had moved to the cable companies. This piece of good news was overshadowed by suggestions that Goldman Sachs, the US securities house, has been calculating the sort of cash the company would have to stump up if a Labour government imposed a windfall tax. Whispers

Electrophoretics added 3p to 103p aftere a recent buy note from Nomura. The company has a government contract to diagnose BSE in cattle and also specialises in back pain, brain damage and cancers. Nomura says sub-licensing these markers to other diagnostic companies does not reflect the company's true value.

recently to a new low of 232p. GEC was also a firm market adding 312to 37412, supported by positive comments from both Kleinwort Benson and ABN Amro Hoare Govett.

Another utility in the news was BT, down 5p at 354p. The company has been cleared by Oftel, the industry regulator, of misusing information in an attempt to win back customers. There had been comaround the City claim the figure could be as high as £1.3

Costain, the troubled construction group, climbed 8p to 47p after receiving shareholders permission to proceed with the proposed £74 million rescue package, despite some opposition. The bulk of shareholders were in favour of the plan, but Kharafi, the Kuwaiti building group, which owns



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tumb group warned that profits for the current year would be significantly below current market expectations. The food processing group blamed the setback on a 20 per cent drop in the price of orange oil in the

First-time dealings in UNO. the uphoistered furniture retailer, got off to a confident start on the Alternative Investment Market. Placed at 134p. by Societe Generale Strauss Turnbull, the broker, the shares opened at 1430 before closing at 147p, its best of the day, a premium of 13p. ☐ GILT-EDGED: Invest-

ment decisions were put on hold as turnover slumped to one of its lowest levels of the year. Investors were in cautious mood ahead of the forthcoming auction of dual maturity stock, amid growing concern that the current pickup in consumer demand could lead to a rise in interest rates. However, prices managed to close above their worst of the day, cheered by an upturn in US treasury bonds.

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If inflation is creeping

AN UNEXPECTED noise emerged from the office of the gas regulator yesterday. Was it the sound of analysts tapping furiously at keyboards as they reworked their financial model or was it the sound of the Ofgas Director-General, nervously drumming her fingers? Whatever the reason, something appears to have temporarily slowed the relentless drive of the regulator towards the promised land of eternal gas price deflation.

There is no reason to believe she has changed her mind. However, a month's delay in the publication of the report suggests more than extra proof-reading. What is more curious is the sudden request for TransCo's management accounts at the beginning of July, information that must have been available when the regulatory accounts were published. At the same time, Ofgas has

British Gas's dividend cover, surely something Ofgas would have looked into already?

British Gas may have finally found some powerful allies. In one corner are the institutional shareholders, who in the regulator find a useful scapesoat to blame for the appalling performance of their investment They provide a vociferous and influential after all, they manage our pensions. Against their weight must be measured the more numerous consumers, but most important is the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. Last week it proposed a formula for BAA based on a return on capital of 7.5 per cent, compared with the Ofgas range of 6.5 to 7 per cent for British Gas.

No one at the MMC even suggested that BAA ought to be broken up.

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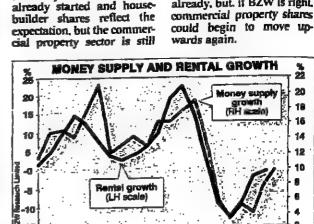
already, but, if BZW is right,

Commercial

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MARKET gyrations and conflicting messages from Wall Street have left investors confused about the outlook for equities and bonds. Reassurance from the Federal Reserve Board has helped the bond market, but there are fundamental and political reasons why the long bond yields should weaken.

Almost every signal sug-gests that spending is running out of control and the Chancellor has little political incentive to rein his colleagues in before the election. Government borrowing is on the rise and the money supply is growing in double figures. None of this, nor a womied Governor of the Bank of England, is likely to dissuade the Chancellor from another interest rate cut, if he can



British Energy

FOR the thousands of private investors who receive their British Energy certificates this week, the Government's "final burst of energy" advertising campaign may seem like a damp squib.

The pricing of such a unique company was bound to be tricky but in the shortterm the yield positively glows with attraction. With a promised first-year dividend of 13.7p, the partly-paid yield runs at about 19 per cent. The longer-term rate, based on the full share price, is 8.5 per cent, which compares well with other electricity generators: National Power boasts a prospective 7.5 per cent while 6.5 per cent.

Longer-term, hangs over the future divipolicy of British Energy. More than other generators, it is a hostage to the price of electricity; as a baseload supplier with little flexibility to switch power on and off, it is a price-taker rather than a setter of prices in the wholesale market. It is also, as was shown by the two plant closures, highly vulnerable: safety dictates that relatively minor technical

problems require shutdowns. This has an enormous impact on British Energy. The company's sensitivity to output means that its profits can swing by £20 million on a 1.6 per cent movement in annual production. That factor alone justifies the generous yield in the shares.

Thorn EMI

Boring old Thorn tends to be overlooked in the fury of speculation over which glamorous sister, the music company EMI, when the demerger of the two businesses takes effect.

Yesterday, Thorn's image was tarnished further with the possibility that rental liabilities from the Rumbelows shops assigned to Escom could boomerang back to Thorn, it deserves more attention than a sneer at the £30 million provision for the Escam rents. The rent-to-own business is growing fast and, unfortunately, has a huge potential market in the quarter of all households in Britain that earn £8.500 or less per annum. In an area where normal credit is unobtainable, the Crazy George rental business operates on a cash received basis and earns a huge return on capital.

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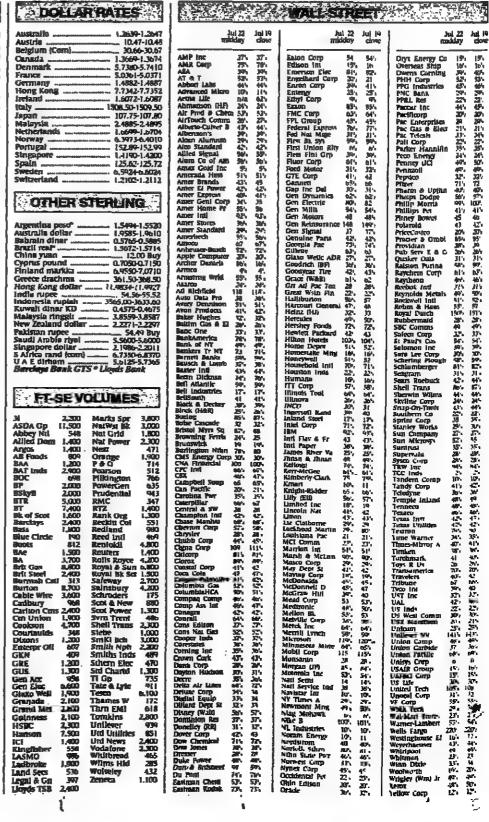
Thorn's traditional rentals business is in decline as the rent-to-own business is built up; a better measure of the latter's potential is Thorn's US business, which grew sales and profits by 12 per about running the cash economy of the least well-off. Politicians of every hue are showing little interest in managing the lives of the uncreditworthy, which leaves ever more scope for Thorn.

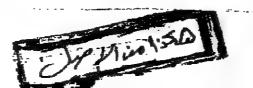
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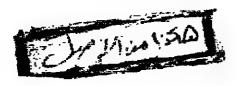
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DIARY

Hardly a piece of cake

LIFE is not a piece of cake for David Simons. Somerfield's chief executive, Until last Friday, the supermarket group planned to an-nounce its share price this Friday. But last Friday teatime, because of market conditions, the board decided to fix the price early. at 160p. Not in time, sadly, to change newspaper advertisements that carried the previously indicated range of 180p-190p. But what about the huge Somerfield cake commissioned for Friday's now cancelled photocall. Standing 2ft high, and sculpted in the shape of a store in Fife, the cake is a painful reminder of last Friday. Mr Simons is hastily passing it around a children's hospital in Bristol.

Poor relation

SPARE a thought for Myra Kinghorn, chief executive of the Investors Compensation Scheme, whose salary looks paitry next to others charged with protecting investors. Kinghorn, whose salary is unveiled for the first time in this year's ICS annual report, stands at a meagre £64,000, with £9,000 pension contribution. Compare this then with the salaries of Colette Bowe, chief executive of the Personal Investment Authority, who picked up a £20,000 bonus on top of her £189,000 total pay packet, or of Sir Andrew Large, the City's most senior watchdog at the SIB, who carned £298,667 last



Kinghorn: ICS salary

Team player

CAPTAIN Eddie George, looked on proudly from the shade of the pavilion on Sunday, as his deputy proved his worth at the cricket ground at Roehampton. With team members including Alvin Kallicharran and Gordon Greenidge, the former West Indian cricket stars, who both scored 50 in this year's match against the Bank of England, it was hardly surprising that the Governor's XI won by 20 runs. Taker of the last wicket was the enthusiastic, nay talented, local club player, Howard Davies.

Fine bows out

A THIRD Yorkshire businessman has resigned as a prospective parliamentary candidate for the Conservatives before contesting a general election. Jonathan Fine, founder of The Fine Company advertising ag-ency in Guiseley, has stepped down as candidate for Morley and Rothwell, blaming the arrogance of senior Tories. Fine's resignation comes shortly after that of Paul Sykes, at Barnsley Central, and Richard Wrigley, who quit at Dewsbury.

DRAPER'S Hall was abuzz yesterday with the arrival of guest speaker Alistair Darling, the Labour MP, at the Reuters UK Smaller Companies survey. But the talk was not of "New Labour" and the City. What guests wanted to know was "When's the beard coming off? Referring to reports in a national newspaper. Darling said he would have to consult his wife first. "I grew it in 1974. As a student in Aberdeen, it was a shield against the wind and rain."

MORAG PRESTON

usiness leaders, Government ministers and the City will be

nounces the findings of its latest quarterly industrial trends survey. Particularly close because the real economy is proving especially hard to read. Is the long "pause" in UK manulacturing industry's recovery now over, as some headlines have it, or is business confidence at its lowest since the last election? Today's CBI survey will not provide

all the answers that business, the politicians and Square Mile scribblers need. But it may well offer vital clues about the future direction of policy. Should interest rates be cut, as Kenneth Clarke wanted and succeeded in doing, or should they be held, as sought by Eddie George, Governor of the Bank of England, or even increased? The fact that such questions can take

in such clear opposites is an indicator of how confused are the signals that Britain's industry and services seem to be sending. Some business leaders talk of the last few months as having witnessed a significant turnaround, and today's CBI survey to be unveiled by Andrew Buxton, chairman of Barclays Bank, may well reflect that improvement. Others remain sceptical, and this morning's figures are likely to show, too, that manufacturing demand remains relatively weak.

Some areas of British business operations are clearly flourishing. The UK now has well over half of the top 25 Productivity, too, is rising again after a wobble, with the Government claiming the gap between Britain's companies and those of her most significant competitors is closing, though business and politicians of all hues now acknowledge the reality of the long tail of

underperforming firms.

Today's CBI figures, like those of other quarterly business surveys being pored over by Treasury officials, are likely to underline three key areas of immediate concern to business:

Two economies: Manufacturing and the service sector have been running at different speeds for some time, with services by far the stronger partner. But the real economic divide remains that between exporting and non-exporting companies, whether in manufacturing or services.

in the recovery from the recession exports have been vital in counterbalancing flagging home demand. But economic difficulties in some key overseas markets, especially in Europe which still accounts for three fifths of the UK's exports, have been hitting British exporters hard for some time, and show few signs of abating.

Straws providing clues to real state of the economy

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Philip Bassett finds problems interpreting paying particularly close attention this morning when the Confederation of British Industry anconflicting signals that industry is sending

> Take the car industry in the UK. Since the arrival of the Japanese in the mid-1980s, what was for long an industrial scandal has been transformed into an industrial success story. But exports have sustained it. Given the use of Britain by inward investors as an offshore production base for the rest of the EU, this is hardly surprising. Yet the contrast is stark: according to the most recent figures, total car production in the UK remains on a rising trend — up by close to 5 per cent on a year ago. But in the three months to June, compared with the same period a year ago, car production for exports rose by more than 14 per cent. while production for home sales fell by 4 per cent.

With consumer spending and high street sales now only beginning to pick up after years in the doldrums, such

industry are marked - and not helped by the fact that the vast majority of UK firms still export little or nothing. Government ministers try to spread comfort by arguing that Britain still exports more per head than countries such as Japan, but export leaders acknowledge that the help given to the UK economy by exports is falling back. investment in an analysis of the UK's

investment perfor-mance in his third annual competitive-ness White Paper, Michael Heseltine. Deputy Prime Minister, denies the accusation that Britain is sorely underinvested, and particularly so for this point in the economic cycle, and emphasises the quality, rather than just the quantity, of investment in the

Business leaders and opposition politicians don't think this will wash. As the accompanying graphic shows, business investment has been slow to recover from the recession, and in spite of the investment intentions declared by CBI members, actual investment took a sharp fall last year from which it has yet to recover.

Government ministers point with pride to recent inward investment decisions, such as Korea's LG or Germany's Siemens, emphasising that last year was yet again a record for

inward investment projects, and that such a pattern proves that Britain is, as the Conservatives claim, the enterprise centre of Europe. Yet they are less comfortable with such moves as Rolls-Royce putting up for sale the North East's Parsons Power Generation, a once-proud household name from Newcastle upon Tyne outpaced by more efficient producers in the Far East and elsewhere. Or with Siemens recent declaration that the UK's social chaper opt-out had no impact whatsoever on its decision to invest £1.1 billion in the North East.

They put less emphasis, too, on Britain's outward investment record -UK companies who are investing in plant abroad, rather than in the UK. In spite of the claims made for inward investment, outward investment outstrips it, as the graphic shows, with a

icit. Ian Lang, President of the Board of Trade, talks grandly of this being a "twoway process", with Britain being a world leader in outward investment, a sign of UK firms' willingness to compete in overseas markets. rather than any lack of confidence in the

The UK's machine tool industry is a barometer for investment in Britain, Exports in the first three months of this year were up by 22 per cent on the previous year. But machine tool imports rose

over the same period by 65 per cent giving a net trade delicit for the industry of £33 million. Stocks: Britain's stock overhang is still threatening further recovery, having led to clear declines in output, and putting a choke on the public finances since VAT is reclaimable on stocks and companies faced with involuntary

stockbuilding by the slowdown in the economy have been doing just that. Business analysts are still concerned that the decline in stocks so far is not sufficient to boost economic growth. They gauge that unless demand picks up considerably, the stock overhang will persist, creating spare productive capacity, cutting back on investment and reducing jobs.

Of slightly longer-term concern to industry is the business uncertainty

caused by the prospect of an election, what business still considers to be a significant competitive underspend in investment in education and training and in transport infrastructure (an £1) billion shortfall, according to the CBI),

and the key question of Europe.
Europe is an increasing worry to
business. Labour's plans, if in government, to sign the social chapter are a concern, in theory if less so in practice, with some business leaders now pri-vately acknowledging how little the social chapter is likely to affect them. The single currency is an issue splitting business but business is unlikely to live easily with a decision to stay out of economic and monetary union. But the Government's divisions over Europe. and anti-European rhetoric, are what worry business most, placing question marks over current and future trade and business relations.

Small business seems less prone to many of these concerns. Small firms' growth, though not yet back to its late-1980s levels, is close to them and still rising, though small company failure still of concern to leaders. Small firms are seen as the key to future economic growth, and business's main representative bodies, to say nothing of political leaders, are wooing them hard, with the CBI yesterday being only the latest to bring forward proposals for their nurturing, in this case specifically for a future government after the election.

Geographically, some areas of Brit-ain are performing better than others. Business Strategies, the regional in-dustrial analysts, yesterday pro-claimed the industrial success of the East Midlands as one of the areas where inward investment — in this case, mainly Toyota at Derby — has acted not just to counter the decline and

disappearance of indigenous industries, but to counter weak manufacturing performance elsewhere.

Plotting policy on the basis of this plethora of conflicting signals is a genuine difficulty. Two events will be central to business's future direction and economic health — the election and the Budget. If the election comes in the autumn, then business leaders recognise that its outcome could significantly alter the environment in which it has operated since the 1970s. If it is deferred until the spring, then Mr Clarke's autumn Budget will be the more immediate determinant - espeincreasingly convinced the Chancellor will have little room to deliver.

Business leaders would like to send a clearer message but they know the state of industry, while probably improving, remains fragile. And they definitely want to see political leaders do nothing to make things worse.



It's not just the 'kids' who have useful thoughts

erhaps Helen Goodman, the Treasury civ-il servant whose internal brainstorming exercise was leaked to such controversy last week, should have entered the Economy in Government competition run by the Adam Smith Institute

This invites the public to float ideas for improving value for money in public services. When the shortlist of nine was announced yesterday, Chris Chope, of Ernst & Young, said: "Many of these ideas have emanated from frustrated public servants for whom this competition is an opportunity to eatapult their ideas to the top of the political agenda."

Ms Goodman, whose

unfortunate destiny is to be forever known as one of Kenneth Clarke's Treasury kids, has achieved this in spades but at great cost to her peace of mind. The competition seems a safer way of thinking the unthinkable. It has even created careers.

Ray Reardon, winner in 1995 with his proposal, Downsizing the DTI, was subsequently hired by Michael Heseltine to implement his plan. He showed how to sack 5,000 out of 12,000 civil servants, saving £1 billion over five years. This kind of scheme obvi-

ously has great appeal to ministers under the whip from William Waldegrave to find savings on their bureaucracies. Perhaps with a mind to last year's axewielding winner, Tony Wilkinson, a civil servant for II years now working in the Department for Education and Employment, proposes a way of chopping the current payroll of the Civil Service by half in five years.

the current grade structure would, he believes, make savings of as much as £5 billion a year after five years. One wonders what his colleagues will think if he wins and is hired by Mr Waldegrave. Three other shortlisted en-

tries go to the heart of the political debate on how to make the public services more efficient and find ways of creating new jobs. Two concern the NHS. Roger Burns is a GP in a second-wave fundshire. He wants to put to better

fundholders, using the money to buy pooled insurance for patients.

Physiotherapy, for example, has waiting times of up to six months at the local hospital. Pooled insurance could be earmarked for physiotherapy, patients would be treated as "pri-

vate" and seen immediately. The beauty of this scheme is that it is hands-on. Exactly what is insured can be decided by doctor and patient, not the Government or an employer. If economic realities mean rationing health services, then why not allow consumers to de-

cide on their priorities.
The second NHS scheme comes from David Mills, a pharmacist from Tayside. who proposes an ingenious reform to the way prescriptions work. Too complicated to detail here, his scheme would, for example, break down the flat price system that means a two-week course of antibiotics costs the same as a three-month uicer treatment.

icholas Field-Johnson, a former financier and industrialist, offers an American import to the debate about how to help employers to bear some of the cost of taking on new staff. He proposes the introduction of "employment bonds", known as Industrial Revenue Bonds in the US, where they have been used successfully in California, Massachusetts and New Jersey.

These bonds provide lowinterest, long-term financing to employers who create extra jobs. For buyers of such bonds, interest and investment would be tax-Revenue would be more than made up by savings on unemployment benefit Mr Field-Johnson says unemployment could be cut to 4 per cent in four years.

These entries and others are not only striking for their touted benefits but for their acute relevance to the current political debate. There is little red or blue water between some of these proposals and present thinking in our political parties and Civil Service. So yes, minister, get reading.

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SIB's role in Singer & Friedlander transaction with Knight Williams my solicitors put questions to

From Professor Sir Ronald a report which made this point and in addition that some arrangement had been made

Sir. The fact that the Securities and Investments Board (SIB) had been involved in negotiations with the Knight Williams Group over the transaction with Singer & Friedlander should not have come as a surprise to any member of the Knight Williams Investors Action Group. any Member of Parliament or. indeed, The Times. On Nov-ember 20 last year, I published

From Dr D. W. Green

Sir, The announcement by the

Korean firm LG of a new

factory in Wales with the

creation of 6,000 or more jobs

Indeed, the Conservative

Government has taken much

pains to emphasise the attrac-

tiveness of Britain's working

environment, which encour-

is obviously welcome news.

to "ring fence" the sum of El.95 million, not El million, as implied in your report of July 18, 1996. The arrangements are set out in a document to which the SIB has to date

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denied me access. From the files to which I have been granted access and from questions which I have put, I have no doubt that the

Company investment overseas means jobs lost and a revenue deficit

and which they, the Govern-

ment, have done so much to

create. If the working environ-

ment is so attractive to foreign

firms, why is it then that so

many British firms choose to

invest overseas and not in the

UK? Recent figures suggest

that in 1995 the net loss of

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inward investment) was a

proper; and that the directors of the Knight Williams group did at a minimum all that the SIB required them to do. It is ments included in the secret document were arrangements laid down by the SIB.

With regard to the propriety of the moneys from Singer & Friedlander being paid to Knight Williams Portfolio Management Limited, before I chaired the meetings of unit trust holders to effect the SIB did indeed make some trust holders to effect the arrangement which it believed transfer of fund management,

words, as with our trade

balance, we are in a deficit

situation. Rather than concen-

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success, the Government

should urgently turn their attention to why British firms

choose to invest (and thus

export jobs) overseas.

Yours faithfully,

the lawyers acting for the Knight Williams group, re-questing them to inform me if they were aware of any impropriety. None was reported to me, and I find it hard to believe that the senior regulator, Coopers & Lybrand and Herbert Smith, would all connive in an improper transaction.

Any of your readers who would like to see a copy of the interim report of the inquiry or counsel's opinion on "Li-ability of the SIB" may obtain these papers from the address

the SIB, to the auditors and to

Yours faithfully. **RONALD MASON** Chairman, The KW Inquiry. 6 Cotswold Mews, Battersea Square,

Letters to the Business fax on 0171-782 5112.

Figuring out self-assessment

From Mr Julian E. Humphrey Sir, Your article about the

pilot scheme for self-assessment (Self-assessment forms tax brainpower of volunteers, July 16) reveals some interesting facts about the Inland Revenue propaganda to pro-mote their "surpler" system. Of the completed returns, 64

per cent did not need correcting. If, however, only 80 per cent of the returns were completed, the accuracy rate falls to 50.4 per cent — pretty appal-ling for a simpler system and even short of the Revenue's spurious 55 per cent target.

Until massive simplification occurs in our tax system self-assessment will be simpler only for the Revenue, who are off-loading most of their work on to the taxpayer. Yours faithfully, JULIAN E. HUMPHREY Humphrey & Company, 44 Nup End Lane,

Buckinghamshire.

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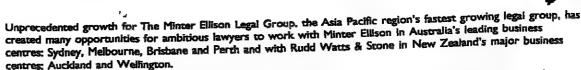
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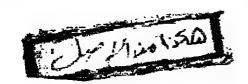
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Lord Woolf's final plans for a civil justice shake-up could, it is argued, see some people losing out

Adding insult to injury

miner, was originally offered compensation of "a measly ELASO" by his employer for work-related injuries, his instinct was, he says, to throw them out the window". Mr Gibson was a miner for 19 years before being forced to switch to surface work because of vibration white finger. This condition is caused by years of working with vibrating equipment, like drills, which leads to painful damage of the nerve endings in the hands.

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You know what it is like when you put your hand in the freezer and it gets stuck -that's what it feels like," says Mr Gibson. "It burns from the inside." When the condition is at its worst, "you can't do anything. You drop things, fumble your change, when you are signing a cheque, you can't write your name."

The initial compensation offer made to Mr Gibson was turned down, along with sub-sequent ones of E5,000 and £6,000. Finally, his solicitors, the personal injury specialists Rowley Ashworth, have accepted a payment of £i0,000 on his behalf.

According to Roger Good-ier, senior partner of Rowley Ashworth, Mr Gibson's experience is far from unusual. Insurers acting on behalf of employers will routinely start by offering far less than they know the case is worth. Often it is only the threat of court action which prompts them to come up with a more realistic

However, he, along with other leading Pl lawyers, fears that the threat of court action will be all but removed under new proposals designed to age an ear In future, victims like Mr Gibson may have no choice

Lord Woolf, Master of the Rolls, is expected to recommend that cases worth under £10,000 go through a new fast track" procedure, where only limited costs can be reclaimed from the losing side. Plaintiffs may recover a fixed percentage, say 10 or 20 per cent of the eventual value of the claim. The closer you get to a court hearing." Mr Goodier says, "the greater the level of costs incurred. You have to obtain and exchange witness statements: there may be experts and barristers to be instructed who will want paying."

At present, the plaintiff can reclaim these costs from the other side once the case is won. But, under the new procedure, the plaintiff could end up paying them out of eventual damages. It may be more cost effective to accept a lower settlement offer, rather than spend the money necessary to gear up for trial, even if this would lead to a higher reward.

A trawl through Mr Goodier's files shows just how effective the threat of court action can be — and therefore how badly affected plaintiffs may be by the changes. One client was offered £3,000 for head injuries suffered when the forklift truck he was driving collided with another. A year later, two days before the case was due to come to trial. this was upped to £30,000.

However, Lord Woolf's expected proposals is being welcomed in some quarters. David McIntosh, senior partner at the insurance firm Davies Arnold Cooper, says it will go some way to redress the current "legal aid black-mail situation", where the financial pressure to settle is

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Timothy Gibson was originally offered compensation of £1,450 for his industrial injury

WHY COMPANIES LIKE THE IDEA

COMPANY clients are backing the Woolf reforms, which will give judges power to drive the pace of litigation, according to surveys by City law firms. A survey of 500 clients recently involved in litigation by Pinsent Curtis, which has offices in Birmingham, Leeds and London, found that two thirds want a prompt result, irrespective

of the "fine detail" of the dispute. The firm itself favours Woolf's plans for resolving disputes outside court through methods such as alternative dispute resoluon and one third of its party as mediators. But clients are still uncertain and only 24 per cent thought it would not.

about mediation — 58 per cent thought it may be right in a few cases — but 65 per cent said it should be tried before trial. They were split on Woolf's plans for a court-appointed

expert. and more than 80 per cent said they would still choose to appoint their own.

A survey by the national law firm Eversheds found backing for the Woolf proposals — but as plaintiffs, not defendants. Eighty-six per cent thought a faster timetable would help them as plaintifs but only 41 per cent as defendants, 57 per cent thought the

The revolution gathers pace

port of his two-year inquiry into civil justice. His aums are to "to improve access to justice by reducing inequali-ties, cost, delay and the complexity of civil litigation and to to timescales and costs".

The centrepiece of these plans concerns the transfer of control over the litigation process from the lawyers to the judges. Case management essentially involves the court taking ultimate responsibility for the course of litigation. Its overall purpose, says Lord Woolf, "is to encourage seniement of disputes at the earliest appropriate stage".
It will also mean settlement

in ways other than in the courts, including alternative dispute resolution. ADR is the resolution of disputes by processes such as mediation rather than litigation and arbitration. A growing band of supporters has rallied round ADR as a means of dispute resolution which uses procedures involving, in most cases, a neutral third party. The Centre for Dispute Res-

olution claims that 80 per cent settlement rates are common among cases in which ADR procedures have been used. But there is still some resistance to ADR, which has grown in popularity in Ameri-

ca and in many quarters here. Now, however, the quiet revolution rumbling on within our civil justice system - and to be given impetus by Lord Woolf — may compel parties and their advisers to resort to it at some stage before trial.

In January 1995, judicial pressure on litigants to consider ADR was extended to all High Court cases, with the issuing of a practice direction. This requires the solicitors for all parties in a High Court action to sign, and lodge with the court, a checklist. One of

Hard on the heels of this was a Court of Appeal Practice

appeal considered that mediation might be appropriate, this should be notified to the Registrar of Civil Appeals, so that the Court of Appeal might identify cases susceptible to settlement by mediation".

However, many lawyers have been only paying lip service to the possibility of using ADR. One reason is that proposing ADR is still per-ceived as signalling a weakness in one's case.

The courts have therefore thrown more weight behind



Lord Woolf final report

attempts to promote ADR. Last month the Commercial Court issued a practice statement which suggests that where possible the parties should make an attempt at settlement

If the judge takes the view that ADR is appropriate, he will adjourn the summons and grant the necessary extension of time. Judges themselves may be willing to act as evaluators.

This technique (known in the America as "Early Neutral Evaluation") is an ADR pro-cess whereby lawyers and their clients meet and a neutral third party present a summary of their case. The third party identifies areas of common ground and helps each side to understand the view. The session is completely confidential and any recom-

binding. A judge who acts as an evaluator will take no further part in the proceedings, even if the evaluation is not successful in producing a settlement. The practice statement also permits judges to make orders for costs which take into account attempts to settle using ADR. This suggests that where the attempt to settle is unsuccessful, the costs of the failed ADR process may fall on the party that loses at

Like its predecessors, this practice statement avoids any suggestion of compulsory sub-mission to an ADR process. But the backing of the courts for ADR is a welcome development. There will be teething problems. Judges, some of whom may not be trained in acting as an evaluator, will need to take speedy decisions on the basis of limited information.

There are obviously inherent dangers in such accelerated "determination" of issues in a case, particularly in complex high-value claims. It is human nature for any adjudicator to form initial impressions which quickly become hardened views; and there is the potential problem of the parties' understandable reluctance to show their hand at such an early stage, particularly when ADR may not be successful and it may yet go to

But case management coupled with ADR is plainly here to stay in one form or another. The latest practice statement emphasises the judges' det-ermination to achieve the Woolf ideals, pre-empting what some see as the inevitable realisation by the Government, when it looks at the true cost of Lord Woolf's proposals, that it has a tiger by the tail.

PAUL MITCHARD AND CARON MURPHY tion and Caron Murphy, a solicitor, with Simmons & Simmons.

Perils of links with women

TONY Girling, the new Law Society president, has wasted no time in fostering political

Within 48 hours of being voted into office he had seen Paul Boateng, MP, and sought meetings with Lord Mackay of Clashfern, the Lord Chancellor, and Lord Irvine of Lairg. the shadow Lord Chancellor. For good measure, he sat next to Cherie Booth, QC, at the Law Society council dinner on

Meanwhile the ousted Martin Mears clearly relished his last council banquet, flanked by Ms Booth and Lord Irvine. He counselled his successor to be "wise, measured and statesmanlike", and if he thought of saying anything Mr Mears might have said, to avoid it. Above all, he added, "don't speak to the press — and avoid the ladies in any capacity."

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Spoiling totals

AN astonishing number of ballot papers were spoiled or invalidated in last week's Law Society elections: a total of 791 for the presidential vote, 1,058 for the vice-president and 1.789 for the deputy vicepresident

Among the 791 invalid papers for president, 277 were received late: 447 were unsigned; 12 were ambiguous; 49 did not record a vote and six



were otherwise spoiled. The Law Society have revised their earlier voting figures: Martin Mears poiled 14,239 votes and not 15,239 as originally stated on Monday night, compared with Mr Girling's 15,911.

The handover of the ceremonial presidential chain by Mr Mears to Mr Girling was clearly an emotional moment for both men: Mr Girling looked moved when he spoke of his pride at taking office as his 90-year old father, also a solicitor sat in the audience. while Mr Mears, too, spoke emotionally of the honour it had been to be elected president, "an honour I shall never forget."

Get it right

THE prospect of part-time training for the Bar aroused much interest last week - but

Running to Atlanta

IT IS just a short step from the roof of a City of London law firm to the Atlanta Olympics for Georgina Oladapo, right. A secretary to Tony Woodcock, Stephenson Harwood partner, Ms Oladapo, a mother with two children, is a member of the Great Britain 4 x 400m relay team. Unfortunately, the law firm's roof could not figure

gets around it in no time."

office erroneously said it would be the College of Law which would be offering the courses. In fact, it will be the inns of Court School of Law which will be the first organisation to do so. Much has been made of the dangers of solicitors and bar-

risters training alongside each other (step to fusion, etc), as will happen at some of the universities like Nottingham Law School But in 1960s and 1970s this was always the case. The College of Law, the main

training centre for solicitors. was the place to be trained for the Bar; anywhere else was regarded as second rate.

Asking for trouble "Intimidation wedded to sycophancy," is how one frustrated barrister described the



current fee-collecting arrangements for junior barristers, in a bitter attack on the way the system works in the latest edition of Counsel magazine.

The attack appears on the letters page. Unsurprisingly, given that the accusations are levelled at both clerk and senior barristers, the author has insisted on anonymity.

The letter claims chambers

actively discourage junior barristers from pressing solicitors to pay outstanding fees, making surviving at the Bar for young barristers without private means all the more difficult

"Why is this is the case? Obviously because it would be tantamount to biting the hand that feeds the bigger wigs in chambers and, as such, must not be done," he or she, writes.

"At all costs, the solicitor is always right and the craven barrister doffs his wig in

■ Tony Holland, former Law Society president, is being tipped to take over as chair man of the Executive Committee of Justice, the respected law reform and human rights

Question of venue EVERSHEDS, the national law firm, hosted a dinner for leading companies at the House of Commons last week, where Kenneth Clarke, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, was the guest of honour. The connection? Mr Clarke had taken instructions from Eversheds when a fresh young barrister. The last time he had dired with them, he recalled, was in the somewhat less grand surroundings of the Plough & Harrow in

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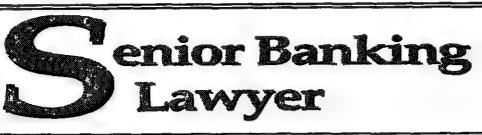
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Gary Slapper looks at a right that can be

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n June, after a two-hour hearing at a London magistrates' court, a woman left looking forlorn after her private prosecution for assault had been dismissed by the stipendiary magistrate. The woman alleged she had been attacked by two women at a community centre. She believed that justice was on her side, but in the end the case failed. The Crown Prosecution Service decided that there was insufficient evidence for them to see a realistic prospect of conviction if it prosecuted the case

Lord Wilberforce once defended the private prosecution as a "his-torical right which goes back to the earliest days of our legal system ... and remains an invaluable safe-guard against inertia or partiality on the part of authority". The trouble is that, in reality, a run of obstacles, evidential, financial, legal and political, prevent the right being anything more than a notional part of the constitution.

Though evidence suggests that more people are now trying to utilise this right, it is still hardly ever taken up, and when it is, it is often to no avail. The collapse earlier this year of the private prosecution against those accused of murdering the London schoolboy Stephen Lawrence focused public attention on this ancient part of the legal

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Tracking

Some private prosecutions are given good coverage if they offer a bizarre drama. In March the Inner London Crown Court heard the case of Laura Harold, the slightly built wife of a wealthy busi-nessman, who accused her oft 3in lawyer of assault and false imprisonment after he rugby-tackled her in a fight in his office. She won her case. In the same month fain Whitney, a pig-breeding barrister and former police prosecutor, an-nounced he would bring a private prosecution against police officers in Warwickshire, after a case in Rugby magistrates' court in which he was acquitted of refusing to provide a breathalyser specimen. Mr Whitney claimed that he had become a police target after failing out with a sergeant over shared land on which he kept his pigs.







Historical right clockwise, Laura Harold, Stephen Lawrence's father. Neville, with relatives and Iain Whitney

mundane and often more injurious assaults, violent incidents and racial anacks are appalled by the authorities' inaction but cannot afford to do anything about it. This is because legal aid is not available for private prosecutions, and, for most people who have no campaign fund or media support, the financial risk of bringing a case is

Last year the first successful private prosecution for rape was brought but only through the support of the English Collective of rostitutes. Counsel must appear for the prosecutor if the case goes to the Crown Court.

rivate prosecutions are rec-ognised as legal under Section 6 of the Prosecution of Offences Act 1985 but, as the High Court confirmed in 1987, neither the police nor the Crown Prosecution Service is bound to assist by disclosing its files. Thus, the private prosecutor's task is often rendered, in practical terms, impossible.

tween a fifth and a quarter of all cases now coming before the criminal courts are prosecutions by non-police agencies and individuals. Most are institutional prosecutions rather than actions by private individuals: shops, the Television Licensing Authority, (in-creasingly) the utilities, local authorities, the vehicle licensing

authority, the Inland Revenue,

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Health and Safety Executive. There have been few research surveys on non-police prosecutions, but the foremost such project, for the 1980 Royal Commission on Criminal Procedure, found that only about 2 per cent of all nonpolice prosecutions were by private individuals. Of 444 offences prose-

cuted by individuals in the sample of 12 courts in the survey, 82 per cent were for common assault. The right to prosecute in serious matters to safeguard against official inertia or corruption or incompe-tence is a "paper" right. The 1980s report concluded that

so long as legal aid is not available for such prosecutions, and so long as the citizen has no right to obtain evidence, the institution will "probably continue to be inadequate and

underused as a constitutional safeguard". A sudden rise in the level of crime

during the rapid social and economic development of the late 18th century highlighted the inadequacy of the magistracy as a law enforcement agency. Legislation in 1752 attempted to promote private prosecutions by making provision for payment of costs but the scheme proved unsuccessful. Prosecuting societies were formed to fill the gap. More than 500 such societies existed in early last century - a symptom of the decline of the old social order — until things began to change with the advent of police forces after 1829.

Ironically, modern capitalism has generated another rash of institutional "prosecuting societies", to proceed against people such as television and car-licence evaders, and utility bill defaults.

Meanwhile, another historical

crime crisis has generated much interest in private prosecution, even though the right is more apparent than real.

Dr Gary Slapper is principal lecturer in law at Staffordshire University.

Richard Susskind logs on to the Internet's legal potential

The legal marketplace will change beyond recognition as we progress into the information society. Just as guidance on consumer products, investment trends, trading opportunities and medical matters will be easily accessible on the Internet, so will guidance on the law.

The guidance will be less focused than that delivered by traditional advisory services. But IT-based legal service will be vastly more useful than today's only options: the booklets, texts and other sources in libraries and bookstores. The information extracted will

more closely resemble the kind of practical pointers that a lawyer might give a friend: a short list of key points and reminders, perhaps a few pieces of standard text and maybe an indication of some relevant, common pitfalls. From orientating a consumer dissatisfied with some purchase to briefing a chief executive on the basics of some deal, the help on offer will tend to be punchy, practical and free of legal jargon.

Such guidelines may be no substitute for the formal advice of

legal specialists provided in the time-honoured, consultative fashion, but they will be an improvement on having no access to legal help whatsoever. The law will not be meted out occasionally on the basis of billing by the hour but will become a low-cost commodity. distributed in high volume.

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It will be the business of general legal practitioners that will be most squeezed, because eventually many everyday legal tasks will be discharged by legal guidance systems.

As these systems come to dominate access to the law, the traditional lawyer-client arrangement will give way to a new set of relationships, under which those who are guided become users; the lawyers who analyse and organise the material become "legal information engineers"; and the organisations that develop and market the legal information products and services become the providers.

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because the shift in the nature of legal service brings a potential loss of monopoly over the provision of legal services. Though, at first glance, it seems it is lawyers who may be most apprehensive about moving from an advisory role to that of engineers, the far graver and fundamental challenge is actually that of retaining market share the provision of legal guidance and information.

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Richard Susskind is special adviser at Masons and has advised Lord Woolf's inquiry on information techology. His fourth book, The Future of Law, has just been published by Oxford University Press.

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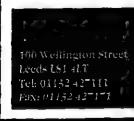
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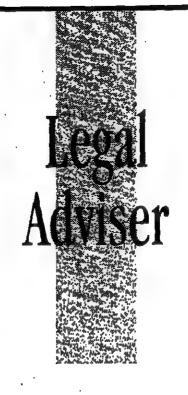
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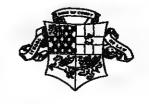
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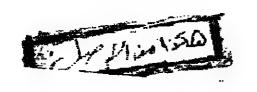
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Soundtracks have come a long way since The Jazz Singer, but are they now too cluttered by half?



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FILM: Once we had soundtracks. Now we have apocalyptic explosions on all sides. Geoff Brown reports

Noisy, nasty and nothing but trouble

ry of The Jam Singch Al Joison sealed the fate silent movies by addressing the movie audience directly from the screen in what scemed like an impromptu speech. "Wait a minute, wait a minute, you ain't heard nothin' yet," he gabbled exuberantly into the Vitaphone mike, before launching into another show-stopper. Audiences indeed had not heard anything; for not even the formidable sound of Jolson in full vocal flight could match the extraordinary barrage of sound that now regularly pours not just from the screen. but from the cinema walls.

in Twister, this week's major release at the Empire. Leicester Square, you are assailed by howling winds and thunderclaps raging from speakers perched along the auditorium's outer aisles. It takes hard work to achieve this bombardment. Unsurprisingly, the end credits list 33 sound technicians - editors, mixers, sound designers - not including those con-cerned with music alone.

Indeed, if you intend to see any Hollywood blockbuster this summer it is best to bring a spare pair of eardrums. Your regular set might burst under the combined weight of dialogue, sound effects and orchestral apocalypse that accompanies every climax. Even mudest films now aim for a high decibel level. In the golfing comedy Happy Gilmore each slapstick punch or thwack on the head resounds with the force of an iron bar drupped from a height of 50ft.

Sheer loudness, though, is unly one aspect of the brave new world opened up by technological advances in digital recording and the sound systems supplied to theatres. Inaudibility, oddly, is another. Take the thriller Seven, re-

will mark we all admired its audacity and visual panache. But did we hear every word that Morgan Freeman and Brad Pin said? No sirree: in the first 20 minutes in particular they sounded muffled, or half-sub-merged into the ambient noise of rain and traffic. David Fincher, the director, probably thought he was being clever in reproducing the bedlam of ordinary life. Others might pick a different adjective. Part of the problem of the

6 The effect is disorientating. At times it can even become threatening ?

soundtrack to Seven is a technical one. More competing audio systems proliferate now than at any time since the sound revolution at the end of the 1920s. A Hollywood film may be shipped out with Dolby Digital Sound, or Sony Dynamic Digital Sound. Or it may come stamped with the Digital Theatre Systems trade-

But not every cinema is fitted with the appropriate reproducing equipment; nor is every projectionist as alert to nuances of sound balance as the recordists and mixers who created the original track. Soundtracks planned for 16 speakers may emerge through only six: a stereo track may be played monophonically, or the acoustics of the auditorium

may do their own distorting. To help police the situation in America, some prints now carry a freephone number onscreen, enabling customers to complain if the sound and projection are not up to

habit of suffering in silence. The density and complexity of modern film soundtracks also generate aesthetic problems. Actually, the babble of Seven is nothing new; ever since Robert Altman's M*A*S*H, in 1970, smart di-

rectors have overlapped characters' dialogue in an attempt to recreate life's hubbub. Norwas Altman blazing a trail in making his zany medical unit speak in forked tongues. Thirly years before, in Citizen Kane, Orson Welles had used his radio experience to dove-tail or layer the dialogue, the sound effects and the musical score.

But multi-layered sound-tracks, as with decibel levels,

need very careful control, and contemporary directors can get easily carried away with the super deluxe box of tricks that digital recording offers. Listen to the wise words of Walter Murch, maestro of sound for several Francis Coppola classics, including The Conversation and Apoca-lypse Now: "The danger of present-day cinema is that it can suffocate its subjects by its vary ability to represent them: it doesn't possess the built-in escape valves of ambiguity that painting, music, litera-ture, radio drama and black-and-white silent film automatically have, simply by virtue of their sensory incom-

Current cinema hates to suggest. It is desperate to show you everything, warts and all: to plunge you into a tornado's heart and let you shake, rattle and roll in your seat as the wind whips round your ears. This may be good showmanship, but it is not necessarily good drama. And for all the advanced fidelity to grada-tions of sound that the new systems offer, the end result

can be far from realistic. This is not merely a matter of decibels; it also matters



Who would have thought it could be so powerful? The soundtrack (arrowed) runs down the side of the film frames

The screen we stare at usually lies dead ahead juniess, of course, we have a terrible seat); but in showcase theatres ambient sound and other noises frequently attack us from the back or the side, far from the images they relate to. A train appears to be hurtling through the curtains to the right of the screen or, even

Card players in a Texan saloon hurl their background abuse from some vague location near the cinema ceiling. The effect is disorientating. At times it can even become threatening; an aural mugging far more powerful than the Sensurround gimmick of the 1970s, which aimed to reproduce earthquake tremors

train rumbling underneath

Blockbusters nurture this loud, wraperound sound environment. They enhance the sense of overwhelming speciacle. something "out of this world", that young moviego-ers love, and bring the cinema experience close to a rock concert's frenzy. Young directechnology and yet make something creative and per-

videos, are willing accomplices in furthering the fashion. Onslaught is rarely art. however, nor is it often entertainment; and we have yet to find a new Welles who can grab the new digital sound sonal. The worry is that when this happens we may all be too

leased here last January. Yes, scratch. In Britain we are where the sound comes from. worse, through the ladies' loo. but suggested only a Tube tors, often trained in pop POP: Woodstock for the well-behaved in Berkshire; an electro-Celtic pioneer returns to London

t is easy to be cynical about Womad, a music festival with a remit to promote peace and understanding. But the combination of laid-back bonhomie and sense of possibility promoted by Peter Gabriel's company Real World was so infectious that hugging your neighbour, saving the rhino and learning the tin whistle seemed only natural. To Rivermead, Reading, came 70 artists from 28 countries, offering a glimpse of the multiculturalism in one self-

contained, surreal bubble. Drunken louts lying face down in the dirt were conspic-uously absent. This was a convention for the nice, where gentle people swarn naked in the Thames, queues for oversubscribed acts on indoor stages were orderly, the words "excuse me" resounded and the only security presence was two smiling bobbies. Bearded dads jigged their prodigies along to African rhythms. grannies took gamelan class-es, dreadlocked travellers wielded didgeridoos and saucer-eyed ravers sweated it out in the Whirl-y-gig tent alongside tots wearing luminous face-paint. With Womad in its 15th year, both the line-up and the "Global Village" (shops, basically) have expanded accordingly.

Harmony on Thames

Womad Rivermead Leisure Centre, Reading

Friday, 24-year-old American punk folk musician and new lesbian icon Ani Di Franco played on the main outdoor stage to an enthusiastic, pre-dominantly female crowd but failed to recapture the angry power of her debut album Dilate. I am a work in progress," she intoned during her spoken word encore. which was a fair enough explanation. Hers is a set better suited to indoor intimacy; conversely the cool harmonies of Jamaica's Mighty Diamonds, whose mellow reggae demands accompanying sunshine, was tempered by the confines of the enclosed Rivermead stage.

Over the three days, however, music as an obvious platform for politics was exemplified with startling savoir-faire, from the revolutionary guitar sounds of Zimbabwean giant Thomas Mapfumo to the bitting invective of British-based Asian rappers Fun-da-mental and



Afro-Celt Sound System: a fusion of musical traditions

exiled Tibetan singer Yung Chen Lhamo's evocative pleas for tolerance, taken from her enchanted debut Tibet, Tibet. The sheer beauty of her voice, lavered over an audience chanting the Om mantra, was spine-tingling stuff.

Great things are expected from the much-touted Airo Celt Sound System, a group of Senegalese and Celtic musicians incorporating dub and dance grooves and around whose presence Womad appeared to be framed. Indeed,

ducting workshops on Irish instrumentation, traditional sean nos singing, windsock making, album production and the African-Celtic connection, there was little chance of escaping them. But with a depleted line-up and an over-reliance on backing tapes, their Friday night set was a loose, disappointing affair. In marked contrast. Saturday's magnificent performance had the crowd screaming for more, thanks largely to the charismatic showmanship of erst-

while Pogue James McNally

on whistle and bodhrán, and that of a gyrating fan who leapt on stage, putting the Afro Celt dancers Wicker Woman Posse to shame.

Purists were content to wander in search of traditional instrumentation - Tahiti's ukulele-playing quartet Te Ava Piti proved a big draw but it was over in the packed Whirl-y-gig tent that eclecticism was truly celebrated. In this Aladdin's cave of dry ice, balloons and kaleidoscope im-agery, some of Britain's best underground acts created their own urban folk music.

Not everything on the extensive bill worked — one could have done without Zion Trains' lumpen dub and the cringeworthy commedia dell'arte of Telepathy — but it was incredible just how much did. East End Bengalis Joi fused bhangra with techno, house and rap, Transglobal Underground mixed Bolly-wood, Qawalli and trip hop. and Banco de Gaia's Toby Marks combined contemporary dance rhythms with ancient Arabian beats, all proving that in the 1990s, folk

doesn't have to be unplugged. The exhausted hordes departed on Sunday buoyed up by three days of spiritual sustenance. Would that Womad existed all year round. many as six staves at one point. Similar subtleties are

JANE CORNWELL

Plugged into a resurgent ancestral vibe

THE growth of interest in Celtic music in recent years has exceeded all but the wildest expectations. Seven of the top ten albums on Billboard's world music chart this week are by Celtic artists, and that is in no means exceptional. Riverdance is merely the populist tip of the iceberg. So it was a pleasure to welcome back to a British

concert hall one of the pio-

neers from the 1970s. Alan

Stivell. Flow in his lifties, the

singer and multi-instrumentalist from Brittany has dedicated his life to researching and celebrating Celtic culture within a modern musical His most recent album,

Brian Boru, a collection of songs from Ireland, Scotland, Wales and Brittany as well as his own compositions, provided the basis of his show at the Barbican, Leading a five-piece group whose members swapped from electric guitar Alan Stivell Barbican

and bass to fiddle and bowed double bass without dropping a stitch. Stivell demonstrated his fluency on the bagpipes. whistle and bombard (an Egyptian-sounding pipe instrument) and sang in Breton, Gaelic and even Esperanto. But it was his harp playing

rescued the ancient Celtic harp from extinction, he has continued to use an electric variant of the instrument ever since. Its brittle, sparkly sound makes his music unique, and he conjured those rolling arpeggios to gorgeous effect on numbers including the mournful Parlament iament

Yet for all the charm of Stivell's music, the performance suffered from a rather that remained the centrepiece

of the performance. Having dated feel. Latter-day fusion acts have begun to adapt Celtic influences to a variety of modern dance rhythms, but Stivell's preference for 1970s funk and the occasional heavy boogie stomp made it sound old-fashioned at times.

This did not bother the audience, although there did seem to be some resistance among older patrons to the level of amplification.

DAVID SINCLAIR piano writing in Traced Over-

New sonorities bought by the foot

THE authentic movement has come right up to date. If a new piece of piano music is composed at a Yamaha, its premiere must be given on a Yamaha. At least that was the experience of Imogen Cooper who, having commissioned a work from Thomas Adès, found in preparing it that she couldn't get it right on her Steinway. It was only by chance, when trying out a Yamaha, that she found how to do it and only later that she discovered that Ades had writ-

ten it on a Yamaha. It is all a matter of the pedalling. The difference be-tween the pedal mechanisms of the two models is negligible. In the case of Ades's Traced Overhead, though, it is fundamental. As the title suggests, precisely calculated overtones those that result from, say, half-pedalling or quarter-pedalling certain harmonies at a given point — are a structural dimension of the work as well as an element in its colouring. There is also the problem of independently sustaining simultaneous strands in the texture, written out on as

not, it seems, the same ones. The trouble taken by the Cheltenham Festival to get a Yamaha delivered to the Pittville Pump Room (where there was an excellent Steinway) proved worthwhile. Imogen Cooper gave a first performance which was not only meticulously prepared but also highly poetic in sound and, in a subliminal way. profoundly melodious. Although you could not actually hear the melodies in the sense

that they emerged in distinct

lines, you knew they were

there. Given the sonorities

arising from Ades's inspired

obtainable on a Steinway but

S SON SETT

Imogen Cooper Pittville Pump Room Cheltenham

head, who needs electronics? The Yamaha sounded fine, too, in an exceptionally intelligent and wittily coloured performance of Haydn's Sonata No 50 in C. In Schumann's Davidsbundlertanze the Steinway-conditioned ear might have taken some time to adjust. But, when the lyrical intimacies are as sensitively interpreted as here, no ear can resist for very long. Sound and content were also well matched in a performance of Bartok's Bagatelles remarkable for its passionately defined characterisation.

GERALD LARNER

Shadow of one

THEATRE

gunman

THAT the origins of the modern Irish state involve a power struggle between Michael Collins, a romantic soldier with a matinee idol glint in his eye, and Eamon de Valera, an ascetic teacher of mathematics, would seem to offer entic-

ing possibilities to any Certainly, Neil Jordan's forthcoming film of Collins's life seems likely to play up the flashing contrasts. But for the moment Tom MacIntyre has certainly snapped the bait in Good Evening, Mr Collins, his remarkable, hallucinatory drama of the turmoil of the

early years of the Republic. If you do not know that Collins and de Valera were on opposite sides of a civil war, and that Collins died in an ambush in which many be-lieved "Dev" to have been involved, then you might be well advised to wait for the film. For MacIntyre's play is far more about the business of

> Good Evening, Mr Collins Peacock, Dublin

thinking, feeling and remembering than about disinterring historical details. He picks away the flesh of facts until there are only sinewy dream-like scraps of information left behind. Everyday life is happening not in a different place.

but in another dimension.
In this realm, people and places dissolve into each other. A stern Jesuit becomes a wisecracking Choctaw chief; soldiers, statesmen and even George Bernard Shaw butt in where they have no business. Nobody here is quite them selves. Indeed, most people

are somebody else. Karen Ardiff plays the three women Collins loved, while Mal Whyte shuffles between Collins's antagonistic, outmanocurred colleague, Cathal Brugha, a British intelligence officer and the husband of

Collins's mistress. The strength of MacIntyre's writing is that these theatrical dodges are tucked so neatly into the drama that this paranoid dream space, decorated with bizarre symmetries and edgy anecdotes, easily passes for a real world.

This, of course, has much to do with the impressive cast at work. The thought of having a lesser team dealing with MacIntyre's convulsive structures is little short of frighten-

ing.
The piece demands flexibility, but also on occasions the kind of reckless speed with which Sean Rocks delivers Collins, a sturdy, charismatic gunman pestered by bad dreams and more than a little drawn towards a good soldier's death.

Collins, the servant of

strange compulsions, is exquisitely balanced by Pat Kinevane's de Valera, a slow mover, calculating the tone of his next comic riposte with the same sly introspection with which he contemplates the future of the Republic.

Kathy McArdle's direction quickly finds the shape of MacIntyre's intricate geometry, while the designer Barbara Bradshaw echoes it neatly in the modest distortion of her sombre set, to create a production offering a great deal more than a good evening with Mr

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Dash and daring in the abstract sense: the Tate surveys the paintings of Hans Hartung



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The glories of Berwick are highlighted during the year of visual arts in North England





VISUAL ART 3

Understated but effective: the Royal Academy mounts a tribute exhibition for Roger de Grey



■ TOMORROW

Caught in the eye of the tornado: Jan de Bont on the making of the weather thriller, Twister

Bold ideas enjoy mixed success in the North; while Richard Cork follows the lines of two giants of Abstraction

Canny idea, no cigar

n a way, the summer exhibition at the Laing Art Gallery in Newcastle, Treasures from the Lost King-dom of Northumbria, symbolises the situation of the arts in Northumberland. The show contains extraordinary objects such as the York Helmet, the Franks Casket, St Cuthbert's Cross, the Ormside Bowl and the Lindisfarne Gospels. It is a show of international importance, yet the setting-up looks impoverished and there is not even a

This is the paradox of cul-tural Northumberland, There are wonderful places to visit and things to see, but in the public consciousness there is nothing to detain one between Newcastle and the Scottish border - hence an effort by English Heritage, the town of Berwick-upon-Tweed and Visual Arts UK to remedy the situation: 1996 is the Year of Visual Arts in Berwick, and this is exemplified most spectacularly in the Berwick Ramparts Project (the town has the most complete and well-pre-served 16th-century fortifications in Europe), under which six artists from five countries works which will, in principle,

The idea sounds impressive. but there are signs of haste and unsuccessful improvisation. The Brazilian Lucia Noguiera's Smoke, for instance, is alleged to create "a dislocation from the normal scene that is perhaps slightly sinister, casting a feeling of mortality over ... essentially everyday activities". A large programme to be fulfilled by two black sentry boxes and some black kites.

Similarly, Elizabeth Ballet's idea in Cake walk of laying a bright-blue painted wooden floor over the small enclosure which contains the 18th-century Gunpowder Magazine is pretty, but the execution looks tatty and blinding glimpses of the obvious such as "To walk on the blue floor is both physically and mentally a different experience from the grass" do not help much.

More successful are the Spaniard Juan Munoz's scattering of weird humanoid dolls about the courtyard of the barracks, and the American Dan Graham's Two 2-way Mirrored Parallelograms Joined with Balanced Spiral Welded Mesh, which plays brilliantly with fusing and confusing actuality and reflec-

ings, each dramatising the tion, foreground and back-other. right on top of the battlements.

If Berwick's bid for artistic recognition is finally less inter-esting than Berwick itself, there is much else going on in Northumberland to sustain interest. At Brinkburn Priory there is an exhibition of wooden sculptures by Fenwick Lawson, once Epstein's assistant. The biggest piece is a figure of Christ using virtually the whole trunk of a beech, which has spent more than a decade on loan to Durham Cathedral. It seems to have found its perfect home here. If someone would actually buy it, that is: Lawson's main complaint about the region, and probably the country in general, is that he has to become a "free entertainer" because many churches are happy to house his sculptures, but no one seems able to pay for them. Further south, at Belsay

Hall, the main problem posed in the benefaction to English Heritage - that the early 19thcentury classical house was never to be refitted or furnished — has been ingeniously sidestepped with an exhibition called Living at Belsay which temporarily furnishes the ground floor with prime examples of contemporary craftwork. Some of the pieces are wonderfully inventive and idiosyncratic, others quite hideous. But it is difficult to be sure which are which because the house and its contents are mutually inimical. Nice idea, however: better luck next time.

JOHN RUSSELL

TAYLOR Tresures from Northumbris is Treasures from Northumbira is at the Laing Art Gallery, Newcastle upon Tyne (0191-232 7734) until August 29. The Berwick Ramparts Project is on site until Sept 15 (01289 330933). Penwick Lawson's sculpture is at Brinkburn Priory until the end of Sentember. Lawson at Belsev is at September. Living at Belsay is at Belsay Hall (01661 81636) until October & the works on show will e auctioned on October 26



Flashes of inspiration

World War, Hans Hartung was terrified by thunderstorms. He would fill his notebooks with zigzag lines, in the hope that they might prevent the light-ning from harming him. Decades later, when Hartung had gained a wide international reputation, he claimed that his interest in abstraction could be traced back to those

early drawings of electric flashes leaping across the

None of the works on paper in his Tate Gallery exhibition could be described as literal images of lightning. But they do have a swift, compulsive energy that evokes the urgen-cy of those boyhood scribbles. In this sense, Hartung has a kinship with the Expressionists who galvanised German art while he was still at school.

Even so, many of the

drawings and watercolours he produced around then, before enrolling at the Leipzig Academy of Fine Art in 1924, are remarkably original. Splashing marks down on paper with, at times, an almost oriental economy, and savouring the sensuous richness of stained and blotted washes, the young Hartung displayed stract form. Occasionally, representational references can be detected within freely handled drawings. The shadowy figure of an inert Christ on the cross emerges, by slow de-grees, from the vertical mass dominating one pencil study. And the apparent abandon of two images in ink - always a fruitful medium for Hartung

forms of the towering altar at the Royal Church of Dresden. On the whole, though, Hartung's willingness to jettison all identifiable links with the world of appearances stands firm. in 1924 he embarked on a commanding series of chalk and charcoal drawings, each one revelling in the right to explore markmaking for its own sake. Leaving much of the sandcoloured paper empty in every case, he isolates his vigorously applied forms so that they

resolves itself into the gaunt

appear to soar, hover and plunge in space. At a time when so many artists were involved in a "return to order". Hartung's thirst for experimentation ems even more unexpected Only 20 years old when these daring images were drawn, he clearly rejoiced in a young man's determination to rebel

Russell Taylor writes.

refine his artistic vision.

subtlety of the result.

THE JOB of president of the Royal

Academy can be so demanding that it often virtually signals the retirement of the new incumbent from whatever got him the job in the first place, John

Roger de Grey (1919-1995) was remark-

able; while no one for a moment doubted

that he threw himself wholeheartedly

into the role, at the same time he

managed to keep up a steady, even prolific production of his typical large-

scale landscapes, and even continued to

At first glance, one might judge the

memorial show now in the Sackler

Gallery of the Academy to be too toned-

down. But the more time one spends in it,

the more fascinated one becomes with

the logic and ruthlessness of the develop-

ment - and the intellectual and visual

Right from the start he is excited by the visual organisation of landscape - not

so much the wild and rugged works of

nature, but rather what happens to it

under the ordering hand of humanity.

As a painter, though. Hartung was less sure of his own direction. He worked in a variety of styles, and his uncertainty continued after a move to Paris in 1926. Studying under the Cubist painter Andre Lhote, he found himself fascinated by the "abstract" linear qualities in Rem-brandt's graphic work. Some

excitable ink studies survive from 1927; their whirling lines and blotches apparently in-spired by a Rembrandt drawing of a lion. Talking later about how "the very stroke itself expresses the strength of the lion", he revealed that it

gave me the courage to follow my own leanings, my own yetunconscious

6 Hartung For the modisplayed an ment, Hartung's instinctive friends with likeminded artists in reliance on Paris hindered his progress. A abstract photograph of his studio in 1928 shows a series of entirely white

canvases hang-ing on the wall, all empty. "They were so perfect," he recalled, "that I did not dare

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touch them." During the 1930s, Hartung gradually discovered how to overcome his painter's block. By carefully transferring some of his drawings and watercolours to canvas, he was able to retain on a large scale the qualities that already made his graphic work so distinctive. We may well be surprised to find that such an apparently spontaneous artist, staking all on impulsive gestures and heady improvisation, should resort to this painstaking, dogged procedure. But it was the method Hartung adopted for the next 25 years, and the slowly increasing number of collectors, critics and dealers who admired his painting would have been astonished to discover just how slavishly dependent it was on his graph-

Hence the importance of the . Tate's exhibition, selected by

Jennifer Mundy. emphasises the central importance of Hartung's drawings more powerfully than ever before, and shows how vital a seedbed they were for everything he produced on canvas before the 1960s.

In view of the fame Hartung came to enjoy after the Second World War, his previous lack of success may appear puzzling. But the truth is that his kind of loose, non-geometric abstraction suddenly became irresistible to a new genera-tion in the Paris of the late 1940s. Unhampered by old prejudices, they saw Hartung as a pioneer.

Judging by the work at the Tate. 1947 was something of an annus mirabilis. A group of pastels shows Hartung working with a and expansiveness, revelling in the play of spiralling lines but at the same time

contrasting them with thicker, sturdier and more stable

The strength and vivacity of these pastels surely reflect Hartung's growing awareness of his key role in postwar French Abstraction. During the 1950s his reputation soared, almost as giddily as some of the airborne forms darting through his own drawings. They reach a cli-max, in the Tate survey, with the ranks of ink drawings assembled on the final wall. Executed in 1956, these outstanding black-on-white studies combine definess and strength in equal measure. They set lines and brushmarks free to glide, explode, bristle and splash their

way across the paper. In the late 1940s, at about the time Hartung achieved his breakthrough, Victor Pasmore shocked many admirers by embracing an abstract language of his own. But, as a small yet enjoyable survey of his long career

from representation was both gentle and gradual.

Until the end of the Second World War, Pasmore had nainted landscapes, flowers, women and urban life with refined lyricism. Always more joyful than his fellow men bers of the austere Euston Road School, he revealed a preference for the kind of crepuscular riverscape subjects Whistler relished. The Thames at Chiswick, where he lived at the time, became the focus for paintings which pushed Pasmore's interest in

visual music" to an extreme. His limpid studies of water make him an ideal artist to be shown at the stunningly restored De La Warr Pavilion, where extensive views of the beach and sea dominate the building's south-facing win-dows. But the most spectacular canvas on view offers a more turbulent vision of nature: the great Spiral Development: Snowstorm, commissioned by the Arts Council for the Festival of Britain. Alive with whirling lines that derived from Pasmore's interest in Leonardo's apocalyptic drawings, this unusually large painting is a boisterous proclamation of freedom.

It was a turning point in his development. From now on, in defiance of his earlier devotees, he pursued an abstract path. At Bexhill, his Projective Construction in Black, White and Teak shows how stark he became for a while. Inspired by the reliefs of Charles Biederman, its puritan geometry excludes all the most beguiling aspects of Pasmore's art. It compares very poorly with the lyricism he subsequently rediscovered, most notably here in a large 1990 painting called Living Water. Now nearing 90, Pasmore deserves to be cherished as the Grand Old Man of British

 Hans Hartung Works on Paper at the Tate Gallery, Millbank, London SWI (0171-887 8000) until Victor Pasmore at the De La Warr Pavilion. Beschill (01424 212023) until July 28

AROUND THE GALLERIES

The pictures themselves are tightly organised, dry rather than lush in the application of paint, and increasingly seem to be worked in de Grey's own extension of Pointilliste technique, with the characteristic dots elongated into short strokes of pure colour, which coalesce and redefine themselves in the spectator's head.

The work overall is comparable to that of a painter like Sir William Coldstream, but it is warmer and more sensuous - in a reticent, very British way. De Grey looks best when he is seen all-of-a-piece rather than in ones and twos, so this is one of those rare retrospectives that one leaves thinking better of its subject than when one went in.

Royal Academy of Art. Piccadilly. WI (0171-439 7438) until Sept 22

☐ The Contemporary Spanish Realists at Marlborough Fine Art live emotionally, if not necessarily artistically, in a world of their own. In the later days of the Franco regime, detailed realism constituted a radical gesture, because the officially sanctioned art was more safely.

noncommitally abstract. All the eight artists included studied at the Academia de Bellas Artes de San Fernando in Madrid, where they were given an academic training of the utmost rigour. Where they were novel was not so much in their ability to draw in the most minute detail, but in what they chose to

Academic constraints on subject matter were thrown aside, and instead Amalia Avia chose to paint drab and pecling shop-fronts, and Antonio Lopez Garcia, the best known of the group, was impelled to draw scatterings of goards and life-size front-on figures of cade men. Sometimes they remotely suggest the American photorealists who came much later, but the intensity and minuteness of their vision is without parallel. • Marlborough Fine Art. 6 Albemarle Street, W1 (0171-629 5161), until August 31

Leon Kossoff

The Tate Gallery presents a major exhibition of paintings by one of Britain's most distinctive post-war artists.

Elizabeth Baller's site-specific creation Cake-walk: "Tatty

execution not helped by blinding glimpses of the obvious

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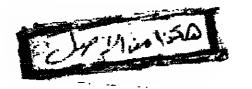
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"Probably the dernier cri (this week) of the producer's art": Juha Hemánus's staging of Wagner's Tannhāuser at this year's Savonlinna festival

ust in case anyone should imagine there could be a whiff of the provincial about Savonlinna, stuck up in remote northeast Finland as it is, the festival management has mounted a whizz-bang-upto-the-minute new staging of Tannhauser that I have no doubt will be the subject of countless long, possibly informative reviews in the German press, and possibly the French as well. With one bound, cosy old Savonlinna is on the opera-production map.

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The dread word "semiotics" was on everyone's lips by the first interval. Roughly translated, this means the staging of a dramaturge's musings rather than of the piece itself; the "sign" is all, and the producer, in this case the young Finn Juha Hemanus, doesn't have to bother his head with directing singers, who are left to stand about and fend for themselves; character

Signs are not encouraging

and narrative are not his concern; hurl enough random images at the work in abstract decor, and that will do.

Some were satisfyingly mystilying: the Venusberg ballet was an aerobics class with two Japanese footballers in attendance, a faceless stilt-walker, a man with a watering can and some lady bee-keepers. Others made sort-of sense: Lortzingstyle Biedermeier costumes for the Landgrave's court (Wagner's 1845 audience), with a touch of Cranach (OK for the Wartburg); we can take the

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symbolism of conch shells. especially when three are placed on the obvious parts of Venus's anatomy, and it was properly provocative to give a necklace of the things to the Landgrave (Matti Salminen, wreathed in embarrassed

In the last act Venus, in virginal white, did not exit defeated; Elisabeth wore an

Fair enough: Tannhauser is muddled, so why shouldn't we be? But there was no helpful sign as to why Wolfram should sing a sentimenal hymn to Venus, which is also interesting. Illumination was as random as the signals themselves, the majority of which were simply distracting and no compensation for ugly costumes and lack of meaningful direction. I loathed every minute of the staging, while recognising that it is probably the demier cri (this

companiments that

Leff Segerstam conducted a perfectly competent, rather penny-plain performance: choral singing and playing were first rate, as is customary at this address. The Swedish soprano Gunnel Bohman sang Elisabeth with appropriate purity and strength, and Finland's very own heroic tenor Raimo Sirkiā was extremely impressive in the title role: his voice is sumptuously rich if not always precisely focused on the notes, but anyone who can make that fiendish solo in the second-act finale sound so easy has a lot going for him. Raimo Laukka made a firm, forthright Wolfram; his tone is so warm that one expected, and wanted, more poetry in his actual singing. Maybe Savonlinns should beef up its team of répétiteurs: the raw material is marvellous, and could be fur-

week) of the producer's art.

III THE PHOENICIAN WOMEN; Katie Mitchell's angrossing production of Euriptides from lest year's Sestions baseon; horsy premare delaying by Loreine Ashbourne and Lucy Whybrow (Josefa and Artigorie). The PR, Earlicen Comes, EC2 (0171-538 8891). Tonight, 7.15pm, In rep.

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OPERA: Rodney Milnes is baffled by Wagner, beguiled by Weill

Dark currents and hidden depths KURT WEILL's last work for the dangerous alliance, German theatre was composed to the but as the dispossombre background of mass unem-

ployment, cuts in the social security system, and turbulent political unrest, and premiered (February 1933) in the most unpromising circumstances. Hitler had become Chancellor three weeks earlier, and nine days later the Reichstag fire led to the suspension of civil liberties. Performances of Der Silbersee fizzled out, and the following month the composer fled from Germany never to return. Scarcely a note of it was heard for almost 40

VERIS. Georg Kaiser's play, for which Weill wrote defining rather than incidental music, is central to its time, and for all its purposeful Expressionist obfuscation the central theme of a policeman siding with an unemployed looter have struck the uneasiest of chords in the hearts not just of the Nazis but of German society as a whole. In the play the impoverished bourgeoiste rises up to defeat this

Silver Lake to end it all, the waters freeze over to bear them to a new life on the other side. The bitter-sweet waltz-finale stands as a poignant requiem for the Welmar Republic and its culture, whose musical riches are only now starting to re-

Silver Lake is a fascinating hybrid: certainly not an opera, but for all its catchy tunes not quite a musical either, at least not the escapist schlock that the term "musical" so often suggests nowadays. It is deeply rooted in German operatic tradition, with obvious nods to The Magic Flute both in the scene when the policeman's conscience assails him chorally from off stage (l'amino and the Speaker) and the final approach to the Lake (trials of fire and water). Bach is in there, and so is a near-tongue-in-cheek, near-academic use of counterpoint. But it is the tunes and their

The Silver Lake Albert Hall/Radio 3

are the piece's greatest strength, and Sunday's Prom performance by the London Sinfonietta under Markus Stenz played to that strength - it is good to learn that the performance is to be recorded for BMG. Even in the Albert Hall, Stenz and his players managed to field the sort of crispness of sound essential to Welll, and the sardonic wit of his instrumentations was given full rein. The sleazy brass and Mantovani-style singing strings of the Lottery Agent's tango were as entrancing as Graham Clark's authentically repulsive (ie marvellous) performance, gold medallion glinting, shirt

slashed to the navel, leer of complicity underlining his cynical message.
The performance was indeed cast from strength: Heinz Kruse, a Siegfried and Tristan, as the looter Severin (he loots a pineapple, not bread, like someone stealing a ticket for Traviata
rather than Martin Guerre — no

magically varied ac- wonder this dangerous upstart gets shot); Juanita Lascarro as the heroine, sweet, but minutely miscalculating barely audible pianissimos in the Ballad of Caesar's Death; Helga Dernesch and Heinz Zednik, no less, for the villains' single, uproarious duet of triumph; right down to Teresa Shaw and Katarina Karneus as the shopgirls whose job it is to destroy yesterday's food ("company policy").

A skeleton version in English of
Kalser's play was devised by Jeremy
Sams, faithful to the letter if not the more sombre humour of the original,

but the lively delivery by Maria Friedman, Philip Franks and Hugh Ross kept the Prommers greatly amused. Franks was especially effective in the policeman's conversation with his choral conscience, and Friedman stopped the show with her CURRENT mimed banana dance (naughty but nice). All sobered up for the visionary, up-beat finale which, given the circurnstances of 1933, is hard to listen to,

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Solicitors not entitled

to payment

required by law. Following pro-

bate proceedings commenced by the plaintiff. Judge Cooke pro-nounced against the validity of the 1989 will and in favour of an earlier

will dated May 8, 1980 appointing

that the will under which they were paid, including the charging

His Lordship said that the resolution of the issues involved

the interaction of three legal

had paid money from the de-

entitled to it, the persons truly entitled could recover the money

from the recipients other than any bona fide purchaser:

2 Remuneration paid to a solicitor

executor under the terms of a

charging clause was properly re-

garded as bounty of the same

character as a legacy under a will.

3 The person for the time being

clothed by the Court of Probat

with the character of personal

representative was, and enjoyed all

the powers of a personal repre-sentative unless and until the grant

The second principle derived from the rule that a professional

executor, like any other pro-

lessional trustee, could only profit from his trusteeship if he was

In the case of a will, it was common to include a charging

trustee and the estate, that was

The third principle was im-

portant when considering the

probate was subsequently

His Lordship said that, quite

apart from the specific statutory

law principles upon which third

parties acquiring property from executors for value, or otherwise

contracting for value with the

executors could rely to protect their

position. However, such general prin-

protection available to an exe and those dealing with him if the

treated as bounty.

specifically authorised to do so.

e. had been found invalid.

the plaintiff as sole executor. In that capacity the plaintiff claimed repayment of the sums paid to the defendants on the basis that the unit of the basis

Gray v Richards Butler (a not witnessed it at the same time as

FO m

Before Mr Justice Carnwath

A firm of solicitors was not entitled

to retain moneys paid for probate work done when one of its partners

was acting in his capacity as an executor of the will which was declared invalid after probate was

Payments by an executor to himself and his partners were in the nature of bounty and did not qualify for the protection afforded

good faith with a person who had been clothed by the Court of Probate with the necessary

Mr Justice Carnwath so held in

the Chancery Division giving judg-ment for the plaintiff, Mr Russell

Gray, executor of the estate of his mother, Mrs Margaret Boyar

Gray, in an action to recover sums

paid to the defendant solicitors, Richards Butler, in respect of work

done by them during a period in

which their partner, Mr Michael Leach, acted as executor of a will

which was declared invalid on

April 13, 1993 by Judge Cooke in the Mayor's and City of London

Mr Charles Salter for the plain-

MR JUSTICE CARNWATH

said that Mrs Gray, who died on

May 21, 1990, had apparently executed a will on November 28,

1989 appointing Mr Leach as one of two executors and trustees. A

charging clause enabled a trustee

who is a professional ... to charge

From May 1990 records were

kept of time spent by Mr Leach and other members of his firm on

the administration of the will, and

following the grant of probate on October 4. 1990, he arranged for

transfers of sums totalling

775 053.46 for work done up to

September 1991. The plaintiff was

not a direct beneficiary under that

will but he felt some responsibility

as the father of two of the

It subsequently emerged that the wo witnesses to the 1989 will had

normally for work done".

tiff: Mr Stephen Lloyd for the

sers for value dealing in

Dadgment July 161

ciples did not assist the defendants.

The payments they received were

not payments to a third party; they were payments by one of the executors to himself and his

As between the recipients and

the estate they were in the nature of

bounty. Prima facie therefore they

were to be treated in the same way

The defendants submitted, inter

alia, that they were entitled to the

equitable defence of a "change of position" as set out in Lord Goff's

as legacies which were recoveral

under the first principle.

partners.

Regina v Jones (Steven Martin)

Before Lord Bingham of Cornhill, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Ognail and Mrs Justice Smith

[Judgment July 17]

Guidance on the court's approach to the admission and consideration of fresh expert medical evidence on an appeal against conviction was given by the Court of Appeal, Criminal Division, in the light of 1995 amendments to the Criminal Appeal Act 1968.

in a reserved judgment the court dismissed an appeal by Steven Martin Jones, a against conviction at Caernarion Crown Court (Mr Justice Ian Kennedy and a juryl of by striking her forehead with a 42lb lump hammer, fracturing her skull and putting her body partly immersed in a stream beside a faked motor accident.

Section 2 of the 1968 Act. as amended by section 2(I) of the Criminal Appeal Act 1995 provides: "(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Court of Appeal -(a) shall allow an appeal against conviction if they think that the conviction is unsafe: and (b) shall dismiss such an appeal in any

other case." Section 23 in Part 1 of the 1968 Act, as amended by section 4 of the 1995 Act. so far as relevant. provides: "(I) For the purposes of this Part of this Act the Court of Appeal may, if they think it necessary or expedient in the interests of justice ... (c) receive any evidence which was not aded in the proceedings from

evidence, have regard in particular 10 -- (a) whether the evidence appears to the court to be capable of belief; (b) whether it appears to the court that the evidence may afford any ground for allowing the appeal: (c) whether the evidence would have been admissible in the proceedings from which the appeal lies on an issue which is the subject of the appeal; and (d) whether there is a reasonable explanation

evidence in those proceedings." Mr D. Martin Thomas, QC, who did not appear below, and Mr Wyn Lloyd Jones for the appellant Mr Anthony Gee, QC and Mr Michael P. Taylor for the Crown

failure to adduce the

THE LORD CHIEF JUSTICE, giving the judgment of the court, said that on the hearing of the appeal the court decided, for easons of convenience, to receive the evidence de bene esse of Home Office pathologist and or of forensic pathology at the Wales Institute of Forensic Medicine and two other Home Office pathologists, and it was now necessary to decide whether that should be formally

Section 23 as amended made it plain that, in the exercise of its discretion whether to receive evidence or not the court had to be guided above all by what it considered necessary or expedient In the interests of justice.

Section 23(2)(d) did, however, acknowledge the crucial obligation on a defendant in a criminal case to advance his whole defence and (2) The Court of Appeal shall, in any evidence on which he relied before the trial jury. File was not entitled to hold evidence in reserve and then seek to introduce it on generally free to mount on appeal

appeal following conviction.

While failure to adduce the evidence before the jury was not a bar to reception of the evidence on appeal, it was a matter which the court was obliged to consider in deciding whether to receive the evidence or not.

The court had in the past accepted that section 23 might apply to expert evidence, and their Lordships would not wish to circumscribe the operation of a statutory rule enacted to protect defendants against the risk of wrongful conviction. But it seemed unlikely that the section was framed with expert evidence prom-

mently in mind. The requirement in subsection (2)(a) that the evidence should appear to be capable of belief applied more aptly to factual evidence than to expert opinion, which might or might not be acceptable or persuasive but was unlikely to be thought to be incapable of belief in any ordinary

The giving of a reasonable explanation for failure to adduce the evidence before the jury, again applied more aptly to factual evidence of which a party was unaware, or could not adduce, than to expert evidence, since if one expert was unavailable to testify at a trial a party would ordinarily be expected to call another, unless

circumstances prevented that. Expert witnesses, although in-evitably varying in standing and experience, were interchangeable in a way in which factual witnesses

opinion it should have been obtained and no reasonable explana-tion had been given for failure to an expert case which, if sound, Although the case made out for

receiving that evidence on appeal was not strong, on balance the court concluded that it was expedivanced before the jury. If it was said that the only expert wimess in an established field whose opinion supported a certain defence was unavailable to testify ent, if not necessary, in the interests of justice that it should at the trial, that might be thought. receive that evidence. reflect on the acceptability of that

Their Lordships, therefore, treated the reports of Professor Knight and the other two Home Office pathologists as received in evidence. All the witnesses were On reading Professor Knight's report, and despite his great emi-nence in the field, the court had examined and cross-examined be-fore their Lordships, and they received the oral evidence also. great doubts whether his opinion could displace the very clear conclusions reached by the other pathologists, who had had the advantage of inspecting the wounds which led to the death of It seemed plain on the language of section 2(1) and as ruled in R v Callaghan (Note) ([1988] 88 Cr App R 40) the court was obliged to exercise its own judgment in deciding whether, in the light of the new evidence, the conviction The Court did not conclude that Professor Knight's evidence ap-peared to be other than capable of belief. It appeared to the court that

Their Lordships considered the evidence and continued that, even if the expert medical evidence stood alone, they would not regard the conviction as unsafe. But, if the evidence of Professor Knight had raised a doubt in their minds, as in the event it had not, such doubt would have been dispelled by the

cumulative effect of other evidence Their Lordships considered the other evidence and concluded that despite the new evidence which they had received, they did not think the conviction of the appelingly, to dismiss the appeal.

lant was unsafe. They had, accord-Solicitors: J. Magnus Macaskill, Buckley; Crown Prosecution Ser-vice, Headquarters.

Fall in value not recoverable

In re Duckwari pie Before Judge Paul Baker, QC (Judgment July III

the evidence, if accepted, would afford a ground for allowing the

Clearly the evidence would have

issue which was the subject of the

appeal.
While the court fully appreciated

that the appellant could not have adduced Professor Knight's evi-

dence before the jury on the date when the trial took place, it could

see no good reason why applica-tion could not have been made for

vacation of the trial date if evidence

to the same effect could not be

obtained from any other source;

and, if the evidence could have

ined from some other

issible at the trial on an

The control over substantial proopanies and directors, or persons connected with directors, imposed by section 322(3)(b) of the Com panies Act 1985, in favour of shareholders did not entitle a company, where it had purchased freehold property at current market value, to recover damages or compensation for a loss of value occurring since the date of the transaction, unconnected with the

terms of the contract. Judge Paul Baker, QC, sitting as a judge of the Chancery Division, so held in proceedings by Duckwari pic against Offer-venture Ltd and against Mr Brain Stanley Cooper, who owned shares

Mr Kenneth Craig for Duckwari; Mr Philip Hoser for the

HIS LORDSHIP said that the hearing was the second stage of proceedings by Duckwari seeking section 322(3)(b) of the 1985 Act, which in the interests of sharehold ers imposed a control over propcompany on the one hand and in directors, or persons connected with them on the other.

The first stage culminated in a decision of the Court of Appeal (unreported, July 7, 1994) which ruled that an arrangement be-tween Duckwari and Offerventure for the purchase of a freehold property had been entered into in Act, which provided that a comparty should not enter into such a transaction unless the arrangement had first been approved by the company in general meeting. On April 6, 1989 Offerventure

had entered into a contract to purchase a freehold property at High Wycombe, for £495,000, and paid a deposit of 10 per cent thereof Duckwari accepted an offer

from Offerventure to take over the transaction, but the arrangement

Duckwari's shareholders in general meeting. The purchase was completed in November 1989, Offerventure retaining the 10 per cent deposit.

The transaction took place at a time when the property market was still buoyant; no one sought to say the price was excessive, but the property market was about to

Proceedings to enforce the in-demnity were started after default nber 1991 in payments to the bank. The amount claimed was over 6854,000, and included £405,000 due to the fall in market values since the date of the

The primary remedy for a contravention of section 320 was avoidance of the arrangement entered into, with consequential repayment of price paid and retransfer of the property. The personal liability of the director or for profits and indemnify against

The statutory remedies were edies in which the common law rules as to damages played no part. Section 320 was not concerned with breach of a contractual or tortious duty, giving rise to an award of damages at common law, but with an unauthorised acquisition, or disposal of a non-cash asset. The mischief aimed at was acquisition at an inflated value or disposal at an undervalue.

Where the company could not avoid or elected not to avoid the transaction the recoverable loss would include the difference between the market value and the price paid at the date of the transaction, but a full in value occurring thereafter was not recoverable. There was no prin-ciple under which damages could be awarded if restitution was not

In his Lordship's judgment there was no recoverable loss on the facts of the case, and a declaration would be made accordingly. Solicitors: Wilson Myddelton,

Concern over writs

ment on it.

Attorney-General v Day

The Divisional Court expressed concern that certain litigants in person could without payment of a fee issue a writ without any regard being had to the nature of the regression it.

The Queen's Bench Divisional Court (Lord Justice Russell and Mr Justice Scott Baker) so stated on July 9 when granting an order under section 42 of the Supreme Court Act 1981 to prevent Mr Leonard Day from instituting civil or criminal proceedings without leave of the High Court.

LORD JUSTICE RUSSELL and that the court had been concerned by the fact that Mr Day had taken advantage of the opportunity af-forded to litigants in person in receipt of income support to issue writs without payment of the usual fee. It was, the court was told, possible for such a person to issue

writs that disclosed no cause of action. Had he been required to pay some fee he might have had second thoughts before incurring the expense. Alternatively, if the proposed writ had first to be put before a master with a discretion to

a writ without any regard being

Mr Day had issued a number of

had to the nature of the endorse-

refuse leave, several of the writs

plicant during the consultative part of its investigations the conparte Stagecoach Holdings tent of some of the evidential material upon which its decision to Before Mr Justice Collins

make recommendations to the secretary of state had been based. Mr David Pannick, QC and Mr Mark Shaw for Stagecoach: Mr A. W. H. Charles and Mr Philip John MR JUSTICE COLLINS said

that the respondent had submitted that the court should only interacted irrationally. He relied on the observations of Mr Justice Mac-pherson in R v Monopolies and Mergers Commission, Ex parte Matthew Brown plc (1987) I WLR 1235, 1242): The concept of fairness is itself flexible and should be subject to the court laying down rules or steps which have to be followed. The question in each case is whether the commission has adopted a procedure so unfair that no reasonable commission or group would have adopted it, so that it can be said to have acted

with manifest unfairness." The key sentence was that in which the judge applied the Wednesbury test. His Lordship respectfully disagreed with that

Natural justice or fairness was a requirement that the common law,

through the judges, had grafted on

It was for the court in any given case to decide what fairness required.

That seemed to be established by the Court of Appeal in R v Panel on Take-Overs and Mergers, Ex parte Guinness plc [1990] I QB 140]. That case involved allegations of unfairness in a failure to permit an

pl83): "... the question whether we are entitled to intervene at all is not to be answered ... by reference to Wednesbury unreasonable Rather the question has to be decided in accordance with the principles of fair procedure which have been developed over the years ... known compendiously, if misleadingly, as the rules of natural justice."

Faced with that authority Mr

Charles was constrained to submit that MMC investigations were sui generis. His Lordship saw no justification for that.

said (at p193E): "In the normal case a body such as the panel will retain a very wide discretion as to how it performs the task it sets itself and the court will regard its role as being one of the last resort re-served for plain and obvious His Lordship entirely accepted

That would mean that in the vast majority of cases the court would be unlikely to regard what the MMC had reasonably believed to be fair as unfair so that in practice the adoption of a Wednesbury test would make little difference. However, it was not what the MMC believed to have been fair that should prevail but what was in fact

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Justice Woolf's judgment should be treated with care because, if restrictive.

Over Panel which had to ad speedily and whose decision, once announced, would immediately be

better Dic

Reasons for change of mind need not be given

Regina v Aylesbury Vale District Council and Another, Ex parte Chaplin and Others Before Mr Justice Keene

(Judgment July 5) There was no duty at common law for a planning committee to give reasons when it changed its mind and granted planning permission after an earlier refusal.

Mr Justice Keene so stated in the Queen's Bench Division when dismissing an application for ju-dicial review by John Chaplin and others of a decision of Aylesbury Vale District Council as local planning authority on September 5, 1995 to grant planning per-mission to Harold Price for the erection of two dwellings at Bar-

racks Farm. Buckinghamshire. In January 1995 the planning subcommittee was told the proposed building complied with the policy in the rural areas local plan, but had rejected Mr Price's application for planning per-mission. He appealed. The subcommittee then made a site inspection and when Mr Price out in another identical application it permission. The plicants were neighbouring

Mr Rabinder Singh for the applicants: Ms Nathalie Lieven for the council: Miss Suzanne Ornsby

MR JUSTICE KEENE said that it was accepted that there was no general duty on a local planning

authority to give reasons for grant-ing planning permission.

The applicants' emphasis was on the need for reasons for the subcommittee's change of mind between January and August 1995: was irrational and without reasons it could not be seen whether or not

and Technology Ltd v Isling-

ton London Borough

Before Lord Justice McCowan and

The Business Names Act 1985 was

capable of applying to an educa-

Whether the Act applied to a

particular educational establish-

ment was a matter of fact in each

The Queen's Bench Divisional

Court so held when dismissing an

appeal by the London College of Science and Technology Ltd by way of case stated by Knights-bridge Crown Court which found

on January 30, 1996, that the

phrase "carries on business" in section I of the 1985 Act should be

construed within the context of that

Act, having regard to the purpose and intent of the statute.

the High Court was "Does the Business Names Act 1985, when

Before Lord Justice Auld and Mrs

A passenger charged with smok-ing on a train where smoking was prohibited in bylaws made under

section 67 of the Transport Act 1962, was not entitled to challenge

in defence of a criminal prosecu-

tion the validity of the non-smoking policy enforced under the

bylaws. Judicial review was the

appropriate procedure for an at-

tack upon the vires or rationality of an administrative decision made

bad on its face.
The Queen's Bench Divisional

Court so held in a reserved judgment, dismissing Peter James

Boddington's appeal by case stated

by a Brighton stipendiary mag-

istrate on July 28 1995, against his

conviction for smoking a cigarette

rsuant to a bylaw which was not

Justice Ehsworth

Budgment July 5]

The question for the opinion of

Mr Justice Hidden

tional establishment.

Judgment July Si

gone astray. Mr Singh relied on R v Civil Service Appeal Board, Ex parte

Cunningham (1991) 4 All ER 310). which was approved in R v Secretary of State for the Home (11994) 1 AC 531).

cil, Ex parte Institute of Dental Surgery ([1994] i WLR 242, 256) who said that the principle could not be of universal application. Cunningham and Doody were cases where there was near total ignorance of the basis of the

Mr Singh conceded that Institute of Dental Surgery was correct in normal cases of planning permission, but in the particular circumstances of the

might be cases where fairness required reasons for planning that practical problems would arise if there was a common law

Church Commissioners reported, December 5, 1995).

the giving of reasons, in effect the applicants wanted to know why subcommittee changed its mind not what were the reasons for the grant; why individual members changed their minds. It was difficult to see how the subcommittee could have resolved as a body on reasons why some members had changed their minds. It was not a collective but

In his Lordship's judgment, the present case was not one where formed and interested observers were left in total ignorance of why a decision had been made, it was a transparent one. There was no

submission that it was not open to a local planning authority to reconsider its decision when an appeal was pending against the decision even when advised that the appeal would be successful. By authority breached its duty to act consistently.

Solicitors: Kingsford Stacey; Mrs Joanna Swift, Aylesbury:

PLR 27, 31).

waste of money and against thinterests of the taxpayer.

subjective planning judgment. His Lordship did not accept that the change of mind indicated irrationality per se: see R v Bast Devon District Council, Ex parte

ent, Ex parte Doody His Lordship, however, agreed with Mr Justice Sedley in R v Higher Education Funding Coun-

Ex parts MFK Underwriting Agents Ltd [[1990] I WLR [545].

But in planning judgments it was difficult to see how such an approach could be applicable. It could not be right for a planning authority to resist an appeal if it preferred not to. That would be a

Business Names Act can

described?"

London College of Science educational institutions howsoever

present case, the change of mind did require to be explained. His Lordship noted, while not deciding the point, that there

duty especially if generally planning officers did not have to produce reasons but would be so required in pertain ill-defined His Lordship did not accept Mr Singh's submission. In his Lord-ship's judgment, what was under were applications for planning permission requiring a

an individual change of mind that could not be formulated as a reason; see R v Poole Borough Council, Ex parte Beebee ((1991) 2

Mr Singh had made a bold

His Lordship noted that there was a growing body of authority on the issue of consistency: see R v Inland Revenue Commissioners.

apply to college

ship's judgment the answer to both

mischief was a requirement for

disclosure. The appellant was naturally involved in the creation

The crown court was fully

entitled to come to the conclusion

that the college was a regularly

conducted commercial enterprise

and that in conducting that en prise it was a person "who carried

on business in Great Britain. ...

In coming to that conclusion the

strue the words "carries on busi-ness" by reference to the objects and intentions of the legislature.

It followed that his Lordship

would also dismiss the appeal.

ing, added that it was clear that the mischief aimed at by Parliament was the failure to disclose the true Britain and who carries on busiidentity of a contracting party in documents which could be eviness in Great Britain under a dence of the relevant contracts, It was also clear that the mecha-Mr Michael Shrimoton for the nism it enacted to remedy that

the council. LORD JUSTICE McCOWAN

In his Lordship's judgment there were two questions proper to be

I Was the Business Names Act 1985, when properly construed, capable of applying to an edu-cation establishment? 2 Did it apply to this particular

Both counsel were content with hose questions and in his Lord-

expressly prohibited by a notice conspicuously exhibited to that

effect, contrary to bylaw 20 of the British Railways Board Bylaws

1965, made pursuant to section 67

Schedule 2 to the British Railways

Act 1977 and section 129(5) and (6)

Mr David Pannick, QC and Mr

Francis Jones for the appellant: Mr

Nicholas Ainley for the

LORD JUSTICE AULD,

delivering the judgment of the court, said that on January I, 1993

Network South Central introduced

a policy applying the smoking prohibition in bylaw 20 to all its

trains. The questions posed by the case stated were directed at the use of the bylaws as a means of

enforcing that policy of total prohibition.

There was authority that a

of the Railways Act 1993

Section I of the 1985 Act provides: MR JUSTICE HIDDEN agree "(I) This Act applies to any person has a place of business in Great

said that he could not agree with the terms in which the question had been posed because it invited them to say that the 1985 Act applied to all educational establishments. It was impossible

to say that it did. It depended on the facts.

Solicitors: Zaman Choudhury & Challenge to railway smoking bylaw fails

defendant could challenge in crim-inal proceedings the validity of a bylaw or other subordinate legisla-tion under which he was being prosecuted. However, Bugg v DPP [1993] QB 473) distinguished between challenges to substantive validity where the instrument founding the prosecution was bad on its face and challenges to procedural validity. The former could be made as a defence in criminal proceed-

ings; the latter could only be made by proceedings for judicial review. Mr Pannick stressed that he was not challenging the bylaw itself but Network South Central's decision to impose a total prohibition on smoking on its trains. He said that it was a substantive, not a procedural challenge as to vires. which the appellant was entitled to

make as part of his defence. The case was not one where the decision was bad on its face. To permit the criminal courts to examination as to the vices of administrative decisions not invalid on their face, or worse as to their rationality, would be to brockon diseas.

In the bruader area of questionable substantive validity where the subordinate legislation or administrative decision affected the public at large, the matter should be left to the High Court.

The appellant was not entitled to challenge by way of defence in the criminal proceedings before the magistrate the substantive validity of the prohibition, either as a matter of construction of section 67 and the bylaw, or as to whether it was irrational. Those were matters which the Divisional Court could only have considered in judicial

Solicitors: Kenwright & Lynch. Tooting: Crown Prosecution Ser-

Seaman deserter deserves same fair treatment migration Act 1971 treated him as but arbitrary test was the true one.

seeking to enter the UK. That, on the face of it, brought him within

the statutory meaning of illegal

Regima v Secretary of State for the Home Department, Ex parte Urmaza

Before Mr Justice Sedley Judgment July !!| A seaman deserter who pracreid in the United Kingdom after entering as an illegal entrant should benefit from the same advantage of immunity from deportation as any other the ambit of the secretary of state's

policy for those who were married to people settled in Britain. Mr Justice Sedley so held in the Queen's Bench Division in grant-ing the application of Dennis Urmaza for certiorari to quash the decision of the Secretary of State for the Home Department of ember 2, 1995 to detain him with a view to deporting him and mandamus to lawfully redeter-

mine his application for leave to The applicant was a Philippine seaman who jumped ship in 1993 in the UK. He met a woman who had indefinite leave to remain in Britain whom he married in

October 1994.
The secretary of state also claimed that the policy had no relevance because enforcement against the applicant should not be regarded as having commenced at the time of the authorisation of detention but rather at the time when his details were circulated

amediately after he had deserted his ship. Paragraph 2 of Home Office Policy Document DP/2/93 Mar-riage and Children provides: "As a general rule deportation ... or illegal entry action should not be initiated or pursued where the or pursued where the subject has a genuine and subsisting marriage to a person settled in the United Kingdom if (a) the marriage predates the enforce-

Mr David James Jones for the applicant; Mr Robin Tam for the MR JUSTICE SEDLEY said

legislative context in which it was was finally caught after years of set, was that it included seaman illegal presence in the UK. Each might not have been deserters. It was not open to the secretary of state to decide that it caught until long afterwards but it was said that if notice of intended Why did a marriage contracted removal was served upon each of before enforcement action was initiated afford such relatively strong protection from removal while a marriage contracted after the it fell outside the policy?

them the former might, but the latter might not reap the benefit of the policy. That was a distinction without difference. The secretary of state had erred After all, many marriages would in law in excluding the applicant be contracted in anticipation of from consideration under a policy which in its meaning and purposes enforcement action and in order to forestall its effects. If any principle underlay paragraph 2(a) it was the

applied to him. Solicitors: Stewart & Co. Totten-

But whether that fair minded Test for leave to apply for contact

Marriage and Children began with the guiding rule: "All deportation and illegal entry cases must be decided on their individual of the policy between an illegal

The plain and ordinary meaning and during a raid after years of that sentence, particularly in the lillegal presence in the UK and a

in re R (a Minor) In considering whether a father should be granted leave to apply for contact with his son, the correct test for the court to consider was whether the father had a good

arguable case, a serious issue to try and a real prospect of success.
The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Staughton and Mrs Justice Bracewell) so held on July 12, allowing a father's appeal against the dismissal by Judge Copley on January 12, 1996 of the father's application for leave to apply for

MRS JUSTICE BRACEWELL aid that the requirement for leave had been imposed in December

from applying for contact without the leave of the court. In re M (a Minor) (1995) 2 FLR 86), was not cited to the judge and in consequence he did not have before him that very clear test to be

applied in determining applications for leave. in the context of the general principle that a child should have contact with an absent parent unless there were cogent reasons & the contrary, the judge did not balance the various factors order to determine whether the father had an arguable case with a real prospect of success. Had he done so he would have been impelled to conclude that there

that if a seaman did not leave with his ship section 11(5) of the lru-Basis of challenge to MMC decisions

Regina v Monopolies and Mergers Commission, Ex

Dudgment July St The propriety of a Monopolies and Mergers Commission decision was to be judged by on a natural justice fairness basis rather than according to a Wednesbury reasonability test (1948) 1 KB 223. The use of natural justice minimizes would not necessarily principles would not necessarily tend in practice to make the test as stringent as Wednesbury reasonableness did in the case of decisions of the Take-Over Panel.

Mr Justice Collins so held in the Queen's Bench Division in refus-ing the application of Stagecoach Holdings pic for certiforari to quash the decisions of the Monopolies and Mergers Commission to recommend to the secretary of state that he should require the applicant to divest itself of its 20 per cent acquisition of S. B. Holdings Ltd and that he should require it to make no increase in its 20 per cent holding in Mainline

Partnership Ltd. The applicant had taken 20 per cent interests in two of its rival bus companies causing the MMC to investigate. The applicant con-tended that the commission had failed to make clear to the ap-

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to statutory provisions which gave power to persons or bodies which could adversely affect individuals.

Lord Justice Lloyd had said (at

aid what Lord Justice Lloyd had

Mr Charles went on to pray in

that the court would be slow to intervene. As Lord Justice Lloyd had said (at p184D) the court would give great weight to the tribunal's own view of what was

His Lordship thought that Lord

treated as a general principal for all investigative bodies, it was too He was dealing with the Take-

acted upon by the market, it was wholly understandable that it the case of such a body the court sauld be especially reluctant to intervene. The same did not necessarily apply to the MMC, whose decisions resulted only in findings and recommendations. Solicitors: Garrett & Cu. Leeds:

Treasury Solicitor.

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speech in Lipkin Gorman v Kurpnale Ltd ([1991] 2 AC 548, 580). The defendants said that they had changed their position by rendering the legal services in respect of which restitution was sought before notice of the plaintiff's restitutionary claim. His Lordship said said that the defence was not applicable to the instant case. Lord Goff had recognised that the availability of the defence of change of position depended on all the circumstances. A solicitor executor who used his

own firm for professional work did so in the knowledge of the legal principles affecting his right to He took the risk that if the will was found to be invalid he would be in the same position as other legatees of an invalid will. As an alternative line of defence it was submitted that the plaintiff

was estopped from pursuing the claim because he had failed to disclose at the earliest possible moment the knowledge he had relating to the validity of the will. His Lordship said that whatever the plaintiff might have done or failed to do in 1991, he was then acting in a purely personal capac-ity to protect his children's interest. Once the 1989 will had been set aside and probate granted in

respect of the 1980 will the position

changed. He then became an

executor with a legal duty to administer the estate. Things done by him in a purely personal capacity did not bind him in respect of his legal duties as an Solicitors: Wilson Barca: Rich-

or whether the explanation of the

cut-off was, as Mr Tam out it, that

it was only when enforcement action was initiated that the an-plicant knew that he was

entrant who was finally caught

seaman deserter who, likewise,

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YESTERDAY

RACING AHEAD

Robert Wright suggests the best value in

the ante-post market



Jockey Club should focus on need for better preparation

gation into the death of my weighing room colleague. Richard Davis, gets under-way, it needs to focus on two fundamental issues which have not been addressed.

Leaving aside the precise details of how much experience Mr Sox had jumping fences before his race at Southwell last Friday, my experience is that too many horses arrive badly prepared on the racecourse and some conditional jockeys do not have sufficient ability to ride in National Hunt races.

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Richard Davis was a talented rider, striving to make the breakthrough into the top league. He was prepared to ride horses whose records were far from unblemished, hravely accepting the risk in the hope it would lead to quality rides. He was not in a position to be selective, so he would have ridden many untalented, badly schooled or at

worst, unschooled, jumpers. Riders from the "old school" will claim that modern jump jockeys are soft, wearing body protectors and taking seven days off after concussion. They will quote examples of riding unschooled horses and tell you that that is what the game is all about. Maybe it was then, but it should not be now.

Too many horses still arrive at the racecourse without sufficient jumping practice, either because of a lack of schooling facilities or ignorance.

The Jockey Club has rules which give it the power to bar horses running on the Flat if they misbehave in the stalls and are deemed dangerous. Regular offenders are asked to take a racecourse stalls test before they are allowed to

JAMIE **OSBORNE**



on ways to make jump racing safer

compete again. Yet, there are no provisions envering jump racing. Maybe the Jockey Club naively believes that trainers and permit holders would not senda badly prepared horse to a race meeting. It is wrong. The Jockey Club should realise that this is a problem and must look for ways to solve it.

Unlike most British trainers. French handlers have a different attitude to schooling and this is reflected in their lack of fallers. Trainers like François Doumen believe that horses should practise their

jumping repetitively. in Australia, horses have to run in three trials before they can compete in a jump race. If the panel does not consider a horse has jumped adequately, it must return until it does.

There would be huge logistical problems surrounding this approach in Britain but there could be other solutions.

expect all National Hunt horses to carry a schooling card that would need to be signed by an experienced jockey to confirm that the horse has reached the necessary standard required to run in a race? Jockeys are the people best placed to make this judgment.

Unfortunately, some trainers use inexperienced staff to school their horses. This is fine with an experienced jumper, but can be disastrous with a young or untalented horse. Worse still, some young jock-eys are race riding without

sufficient ability.

As the Jockey Club rules stand, any lad or girl can apply for a conditional jock-cy's licence with the backing of a licenced trainer. The applicants must then spend a week at the British Racing School where they will learn many procedural aspects connected with being a jockey and they will be assessed on their riding ability having schooled horses during the five-day course.

Having attended such schooling session last week, I was surprised to discover that there is no minimum standard required after this course. A report will be written assessing each applicant but the Jockey Club has no powers to refuse a licence purely on ability. This must change.

in other sports, such as golf, players without sufficient ability cannot compete. Untalented youngsters who are a potential danger to themselves and others should not receive a Jockey Club licence.

The Jockey Club should consider a more stringent quality control system when dealing with licence applications for trainers and jockeys.



Classic Cliche reverts to a mile and a half after his victory in the Gold Cup

Classic Cliche chases treble

By RICHARD EVANS, RACING CORRESPONDENT

AFTER the amazing achievements of Cigar, the search for an equine hero on this side of the Atlantic moves to Ascot on Saturday when Classic Cliche attempts to become the first horse to follow up victories in the St Leger and the Gold Cup at Royal Ascot by winning the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Dismond Stakes

Ballymoss won the St Leger in 1957 and the King George in 1958 — a feat matched by Alcide (1958 and 1959) - but no horse has completed the treble. Indeed, no winner of the Gold Cup has won the middle-distance championship at the Berkshire course.

As the five-day declarations were announced yester-day, the Godolphin runner emerged as one of the horses which ante-post punters have latched on to.

"He is one of the best backed and the one we would fear most," Rob Hartnett, of Coral, said. Having been 7-1 when Coral opened its book, he is now half those odds. The company bets: 9-4 Pentire, 11-4 Shaamit, 7-2 Classic Cliche, 5-1 Swain (with a run), 6-1 Strategic Choice, 10-1 Farasan, 14-1

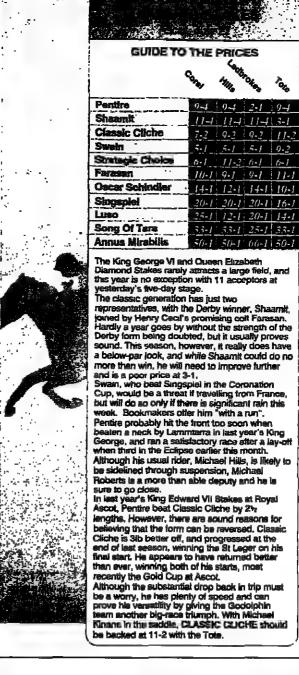
Oscar Schindler, 20-1 bar. Simon Crisford, Godolphin's racing manager, said yesterday: "We would prefer a bit of rain because Classic Cliche doesn't like the ground too firm, but he will take his chance as he is particularly well. He very much deserves to be given the opportunity because he is such a versatile horse.

"He's a lot stronger than last year. Over a mile and a half he ran extremely well last season, behind Pentire in the King Edward, in which he was giving away weight, and in the French Derby, where he was a shade unlucky. And he won the Dante over ten furlongs. All the indications are that he has not lost any of his speed."

Shaamit is the horse Crisford fears most. "There is no such thing as a bad Derby winner. The way he won at Epsom was so impressive. He's top drawer material."

With Michael Kinane riding Classic Cliche, trainer Kevin Prendergast has secured the services of Richard Hughes for the sole irish challenger, Oscar Schindler. I've gone for Richard because he rides well and should suit the horse," Prendergast said.

Tipsy Creek, the Norfolk Stakes winner, has been bought by Hamdan Al-Maktoum but will remain



YARMOUTH

3.45 PRINCELY SOUND (nap) 2.15 Thordia].45 Silca's My Key 4.15 Bahamlen Bounty

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.15 LEAR EXPRESS (nap). 3.45 Sylva Paradise. 4.15 Bahamian Bounty.

TOTE JACKPOT MEETING 2.15 SCRATBY HANDICAP (£3,629; 7! 3yd) (5 runners)

BETTING: 9-4 Gymcrok Flyer, 11-4 Wild Pelm, 3-1 Thordis, 9-2 Assesses Venture, 6-1 Red Admirol.

1996. KHATIM 3-9-2 A Hills (12-1) H Thomson James & ran FORM FOCUS

WILD PALM completed double, best Mr Rough short-head in 11-tunner handicap here (1m, good to firm) with AMESDAE VENTURE (7th better off) 44h. THORDUS 3941 4th of 8 to La Peter Ruse in Chepstow rated states (6f. good to firm) 67M-686.

2.45 ELIZABETH SIMPSON SELLING STAKES (2-Y-0: £2,259: 7f 3yd) (6 runners)

BECTHES: 2-1 Surprise Street, 9-4 Sides 5 My Key, 11-4 Rores Revenge, 6-1 Shestamentar, 16-1 Teal's Treasure, 20-1 Bold Motion

1995: CRIMSON AND CLOVER 8-6 M Hills (5-4 law) M Bell 6 mm

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3.45 NORTH WALSHAM HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £5,796; 61 3yd) (6 nunners)

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BETTING: 2-1 Sylva Paradica, 3-1 Stangini Girl. 4-1 Cross Of Valour, 5-1 Missaud, Prisosly Sound, 16-1 Far Hose. 1985: NOWDEN ROSE 3-6-5 5 Dames (4-1) N Second 6 im

FORM FOCUS

SHARSHAI SIPL 1/ 2nd of 9 to Whelde Rock in a handlesp at Ripon (St. good to lines). SYLVA PARADESP head 2nd of 14 to Maringhi Escape in a translesp at Scotl (St. good to lines). Earlier 3941 did not 12 to King of Paru in a handlesp at Scotlingor at St. Lines of the Lines of the Interest to a handlesp at Scotlingor (Tt. good) with MAZEED (Stb better off) 344 6th. CROSS OF VALOUR best Sibali 1/sl in a 7-remner.

4.15 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND SCROBY SANDS MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,460: 5! 43yd) (5 runners)

BETTIME: 1-4 Betermine Boussy, 9-2 Valentine Fatry, 7-1 Castle Ashby Jack, 20-1 Magyar Tilak, Brothol. 1996: STOP PLAY 8-9 P Robinson (7-4 ter) M Tomplens 6 cm FORM FOCUS

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course and distance wiseer. 8F — brainin broadle in tessi noos). Going on which torse has wen (F — lirm, good to lirm, hard, 6 — good, 5 — soft, good to soft, heavy). Owner in brackets.

4.45 RELTON MAIDEN HANDICAD

(£3,960: 1m &l 17yd) (7 runners)

1995: WWEST WISELY 3-9-13 R Cochane (5-2) J Euslaca 7 nao

MARSUR 231 3rd of 11 to Flore Back in a handlers at Southwell (AW, 1ro 4f), BOLD CLASSIC 58 2rd of 4 to Hal Hen Yaroom in a maidea over course and distance (Rmm), CLASSIC COLLEEN 31 2rd of 6 to Valenticany in a maidea at Newmerted (1m 61, good to farm), ARCIBODS 71 4th of 7 to 1 toger table in a maidea of Boodwood (1m 41, 40, good to farm), CRIMSON 71 4th of 7 to 1 toger table in a maidea of Boodwood (1m 41, 40, good to farm), CRIMSON ROSELLA 204 and the date of 5 to Retira's Star in a handlesp of Folkestons (1m 41, good to farm).

COURSE SPECIALISTS

☐ Francis Lee, the Manchester City chairman, recorded his second winner of the year - both with the same mare - when Encore M'Lady, under Joe Fanning, landed the McEwan's 80/-Limited Stakes by half a length at Musselburgh yesterday. She had to survive a stewards' inquiry after bumping the fourth, Intendant, over a furlong out, but officials decided that the interference had not improved her placing. However, Fanning was banned for three days for careless riding.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Musselburgh

Going good, good to firm in places
2.15 (Im 4/ 3)yd) 1, ViCTORIA'S
SECRET (T Cunn. 5-2); 2, Atienza (K
Fallon, 9-2), 3. Phar Closer (T Williams,
14-1) ALSO RAN- 10-11 tay The Great
Flood (4th) 4 ren. 10, 291. W M
Channon at Upper Lambourn. Tote
2.70 DF E4-20 CSF: 211-04 22 70 DF E4 20 CSF E11 04
2.45 (7) 15y0 1, ENCORE M*LADY (J. Fannan, 14-1), 2†, Don Pepe JJ Carroli, 3-1 ir-lay! 2†, Shontaine (T. Williams, 5-1) ALSO RAN 3-1 ir-lay internant (4th), 4 Truth (8th) 5 Ciserano (8th), 25 Hannah's Usher, 100 Peacetul Repty, 8 ran %1, dol-tt, 2%1, 1-41, 11 F Lee at Wirnslow Tote E14.40; £3 40 Don Pepe E180 Shontaine £2.20 DF. Encore M*Lady, Don Pepe £25 88; Encore M*Lady, Shontaine £23 50 CSF Encore M*Lady, Shontaine £23 50 CSF Encore M*Lady, Shontaine £42.17. M Lary, profusire 144.17.
3.15 (5)) 1. BRIDE'S REPRISAL (T Cunn., 8-13 (av). 2. Under Pressure (M Birch, 3-1). 3. Red Romance (K Fallon, 5-1) ALSO RAN: 12 Casual Cottage (4th) 4 ran 31, 3*4, sh hd. M Charnon at Upper Lambourn, Tote £1.30 DF £1 90 CSF £2.87.

52.87.
3.45 (1m 16yd) 1. ANAK-KU (7 Ouinn, 8-11 fav), 2. Nikapen Rocks (K Fallon, 7-4).
3. Schoot Of Science (G Duffield, 50-1).
4LSO RAN 8 Machine (4th), 33 Dino's Mistral (6th), 200 Corly's Girl (5th) 6 ren NR Aye Ready, 41, 141, 41 191, 213. Miss G Kelleway at Wintcombe Tote £1 40; £1 10, £1 10 DF: £1 40 CSF £2.28. 4.15 (7) 15yd) 1, FOXES TAIL (N Carlisle, 1.3 fav), 2 Imperial Or Metric (J Carroll, 6-1), 3 Keen To Please (M Birch, 9-1), ALSO RAN B Music Express (4th), 33 Ballydinero (5th), 40 Silver Ray (6th), 6 ran



Middleham Tote: £1.30: £1.20. £1.50 DF: £4.30 CSF: £3.28 4.45 (51) 1, FORZARA (J Carroll, 3-1): 2, Chima Hand (J Fanning, 6-4 tay): 3, Young Ben (J Bramhil, 20-1) ALSO RAN 2 Jebi (5th), 12 Distinctly Swenger (4th) 5 nan 3; 44, 5), nd J Berry at Cockerham Tote: £4.10. £3.80, £1.10. DF: £4.00. CSF £7.67. Quadpot \$2.40. Southwell

Going: standard Going: standard
2.30 (1ml 1, CATHERINE'S CHOICE (J. Weaver, 20-1); 2, La Tansani (J. F. Egan, 9-1); 3, Theatre Macic (Dear McKaown, 12-1) ALSO RAN; 9-2 tav Roar On Tour, 6. Best of All, 13-2 Souperficial, 7 Lead Him On, 10 Welcome Royale, 12 Chadleigh Lane, Houghton Venturs (5th), 14 Covered Girl 16 Shoraz, 20 Domino Fiyer

RICHARD EVANS

Nap: SHANGHAI GIRL (3.45 Yarmouth) Next best: Bahamian Bounty (4.15 Yarmouth)

(4th), Dragonloy, Hewaii Storm, Red Rusty (6th) 16 ran 21/4, 51, nk, 71, 21/4, J Bethell at Middleham Toter £35,30; £7 70, £3 30, £3,40, DF £158,40, Trio: £30,50 £360.50 (part won, poet of £462.13 carried forward to 2.00 at Worcester today) CSF £182.72. 3.00 (1m 3f) 1, IHTIMAAM (D Hamson

t203 90 (part worr; pool of 1258.57 camed lorward to 2 00 at Worcester today). CSF: £460 41

3.30 (1m 6f) t SHIRLEY SUE (J Weaver, 3.11av), 2, Breydon (P Robinson, 9-1), 3, Top Prize (G Bardwell, 9-1), ALSO RAN: 6 Tintara, 7 Anchorena, 8 Belle's Boy, 11 Redsiella (6th), 14 Sahhar, 16 Jean De Frorette, Jundi (5th), Persian Symphony,

Sicarian, 25 Drams King (4th), 33 Dispol Dancer 14 ram 18t, 2t, nk, 6t, 2t, M Johnston at Middleham Toter £4 10; £1 40, £2.30, £3 90. DF £65.50. Trio: £106.70. CSF £30.41 Tricast: £212.83 E106.70. CSF-E30.41 Tricast: £212.83
4.00 (7i) 1, YOUNG ANNABEL (f hves, 9-2): 2, Princease Effeito (G Carter, 4-1): 3, Cectar Girl (Arnancia Sanders, 25-1): 4
Formidable Liz (J Weever, 3-1 tay) ALSO
RAN 10 Rocky Stream, Sondos, 12
Portite Sophie, 14 Down The Yard (5ih),
Presephone, Reinbows Rhapsody, 20
Hadiadabble (6ih), Prudent Princess,
Shes Spin, 25 Runforaction, 33
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11, 41, 51, nk. C Dwyer at Nermarket Toler
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256.90, Tric. 5311.50. CSF: £24.27.
Tricast: £415.95 Inteset £415.95
4.30 (71) 1, COMMON ROCK (Dale Gibson, 25-1); 2 Bonsiel (J Fortune, 6-1); 3, Hopperetta (T Sprake, 3-1) ALSO Dassington Times (8th), Oddfellows Gildth) 6-ran, 14, nk, 2, 21, 144 J Norion at Barneley Tote: 229.10, 26.20, 23.40 DF 552.20 CSF; £146.19.

ES2 20 °CSF: £146 19.
5.00 (1m 3f) 1, TROUBADOUR SONG (PMCabbs, 13-8 tavl, 2. Statisland: (A Procter, 2-1): 3, Stavle's Wonder (V Stattery, 7-2), ALSO RAN: 8 Stone Cross (4th), 20 Tarriyar (5th), Tirle, 33 Bites, Lindauasterscubsdiva (6th), 8 ran, NR: Tempering, 41, 81, 71, 41, 121, W Halgh at Melton Tote, £2.60, £1.10, £1.10, £2.40, DF, £2.00 Tric: £5.40 CSF: £5.49

Melton Tote, 12 to, 11 to, 11 to, 13 to Melton Tote, 12 to, 15 to Plecepot £1,148,90. Quedoot £32,40. ☐ York racecourse yesterday reported increased demand

for tickets for next month's

three-day Ebor meeting (Au-

gust 20-22). Advance sales are

51% ahead of 1995.

WORCESTER THUNDERER 2.00 Born To Please, 2.30 Wet Patch, 3.00 Evangelica, 3,30 Jawani, 4,00 Merlins Wish, 4,30 Batty's Island, The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 2.00 BORN TO PLEASE. GOING: GOOD TO FIRM 2.00 LENCOMB MAIDEN HURDLE (£2,973: 2m 4f) (10 numers)

5-4 Born To Pieses, 4-1 Big Treat, 9-2 Macheny, 6-1 Sommersby 10-1 Up The Tempo, 14-1 Libery James, 16-1 others. 2.30 HUDDINGTON NOVICES HURDLE (£2,910; 2m) (7) 5 MR LEON DANCER 419F M Pign 4-10-9 D Brigareter 6 G- WIET PATCH 22F R Hanson 4-10-9 N Williamson 7 43S- MARQUETTA 69 M Pign 4-10-4 J Ryan 91

5-2 Count Of Flandets, 11-4 Million Dencer, 5-1 Supermodel, Maronetta, 6-1 At The Acors, 8-1 Wet Paich, 14-1 Behabeltorbett. 3.00 RACING CHANNEL HANDICAP CHASE (£4,185; 2m 7l) (3)

4-5 Waterlord Castle, 11-10 Evangelists, 12-1 Tour Leader

BLINKERED FIRST TIME: Worcester: 2.30 Supermodel.

3.30 HAWKERS INVESTMENT CAPITOL LTD 6-4 Jawans, 7-2 The Black Monk, 4-1 Stormkrucker, 9-2 Green Lane, 12-1 Series Differences, Claringly, 14-1 Caster Clases. $4.00\,$ Hereford and worcester chamber of commerce mainting chase (23,458; 2m) (7) 1 300 MERLINS WISH 397 (CD.P.) M Ppc 7-12-0 ... O Bridgueter — 2 P1-2 MCHERADO 38 (G.S.) S Brookstan 6-11-6 ... R Johnson 61 3 4-50 SYDNEY BARRY 5 (F.G.) R Buckler 11-11-4 ... B Powel 61 4 P5-0 HURCH DAMELS 34 (6) B Proces 8-10-11 ... Gary Lyons 94 5 173- CYRLL HERRY 227 (D.F.6) S Earle 7-10-5 ... C Mande 97 6 040- ASTOLNOED 57 D Winds 9-10-4 ... W Merch 97 7 0-53 MAGGOTS GREEN 4 (D.F.S.) J Brookly 9-10-0 ... A P McCoy (2) 9-4 Micherado, 11-4 Merlins Wissa, 5-1 Astronded, 7-7 Cyrill Henry, 8-1 Sydney Barry, Maggets Green, 10-1 Hugh Daniels 4.30 CHAMPAGNE HANDICAP HURDLE

1 BU-0 BATTY'S ISLAND 34 (D.F.A.S.) B Precet 7-12-0 D Finnegan (7) 90
2 14-3 OUT RANKONS 13 (D.D.F.G.S.) M Pice 4-11-8. D Bridgester 97
3 05-6 KONGTS SHILLING 13 (D.D.F.S.S.) H Closer 9-11-5 Michael Brossas (5) 85
4 300- MR SMAGGLE 235 (D.R.S.) S Earle 7-11-6 C Misside —
5 141- PAIR OF JACKS 20F (D.F.S.) T Maughton 6-10-8. A P McCoy 93
6 50-2 EL GRANDO 13 (S) N Custosylam-Brosso 6-10-8 D Gallagher 99

COURSE SPECIALISTS THAREPS; M Pipe, 27 immers from 114 runners, 23,7%; K Balley, 29 hore 90, 22,2%, P Hobbs, 24 hore 112, 21 4%; K Buda, 7 from 36, 19 4%, J King, 5 from 42, 11 9%, Only qualifiers JOCKEYS: Mr J Castony, 4 wenners from 16 rides, 25.0%; A P McCoy, 19 from 85, 22.1%. N Wiffernson, 20 from 107, 18.7%, C Uswellyn, 18 from 115.7%, R Durwoody, 30 from 196, 15.3%; J Ryan, 4 from 28, 14.3%

2-1 Pair Di Jacks. 7-2 El Grando, 4-1 Out Ranking. 5-1 King's Shilking. 8-1 Mr

☐ Colin Teague was suspended for two days (August 1 and 2) after winning the Picasso Handicap at Southwell yesterday on Fiaba. The stewards found him guilty of using his whip with unreasonable frequency and above



GOLF WORLD

sports

Derbyshire

grateful

for Cork's

display of

bold hitting

By JACK BAILEY OLD TRAFFORD (final day of four): Derbyshire (21pts) beat Lancashire (7) by two

A THRILLING victory for Derbyshire owed as much to a masterly display of clean hit-

ting by Dominic Cork as it did

to a beautifully-paced partner-

ship of 198 from 43 overs

between Dean Jones and Kim

Barnett. Having been set to

score 287 to win from what

turned out to be 65 overs,

Derbyshire, under full sail

with Jones and Barnett at the

helm, wallowed badly, losing

When Cork came to the

crease, seven wickets were

down: 49 runs were still needed, only five overs re-

mained. In company with

Krikken, Cork took charge.

sauntered home with three

It was a rousing finale, but

equally starring parts had been played earlier. Jones

contributed a sparkling centu-

ry made from 134 balls, in

which he treated all the bowl-

ing with something near dis-

dain, even though Keedy

generated considerable turn

out of the rough. Barnett

proved an admirable foil, as

he pushed his score along to 92

that on this dry, dusty pitch,

Derbyshire should not have

sniffed victory. But excitement

abounded once Lancashire

had gone through the ritual of

scoring enough runs against

made from 39 overs.

You could not help but feel

halls to spare.

from 164 balls.

five wickets for 20 runs.

wickets

Pakistanis confirm wellbeing for Lord's

CANTERBURY (final day of three): The Pakistanis beat Kent by eight wickets

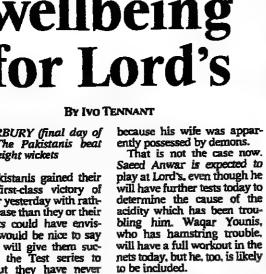
THE Pakistanis gained their second first-class victory of their tour yesterday with rather more ease than they or their opponents could have envisaged. It would be nice to say that this will give them suc-cour for the Test series to come, but they have never been a side constricted by failure or notably buoyed by success in their last match.

Needing 269 to beat Kent, the Pakistanis triumphed shortly after tea. They lost just two wickets and won over the most partisan crowd of all. liaz Ahmed, who will play in the first Test on Thursday. made an unbeaten 136, his first century of the tour. Shadab Kabir, who is 18 or 19 depending on whom you believe and what you read, and who is here for the

experience, compiled 84. This was only Shadab's fifteenth first-class match, although in Pakistan some players have not even needed to appear in one before they are chosen for a national practice session. He has already played against England, albeit only in a World Cup warm-up in Karachi last winter. This was his third half-century in

first-class cricket on this tour. Ijaz, who completed victory with a pulled six off Cowdrey. one of four he struck, timed his shots with wristy abandon. Other opponents might have kept Eatham from bowling at him when victory looked more or less assured. Leicestershire. for instance, kept Mulially out of their attack before he was due to make his Test debut against India last month. Ealham will be playing against the Pakistanis again on Thursday, but at least Kent

competed to the end. in terms of fitness, the Pakistanis are in pretty good shape. On tours gone by, they sometimes looked a ragged bunch, flying in from all parts with any number of ailments before performing with coruscating brilliance. One of their finest players once arrived late

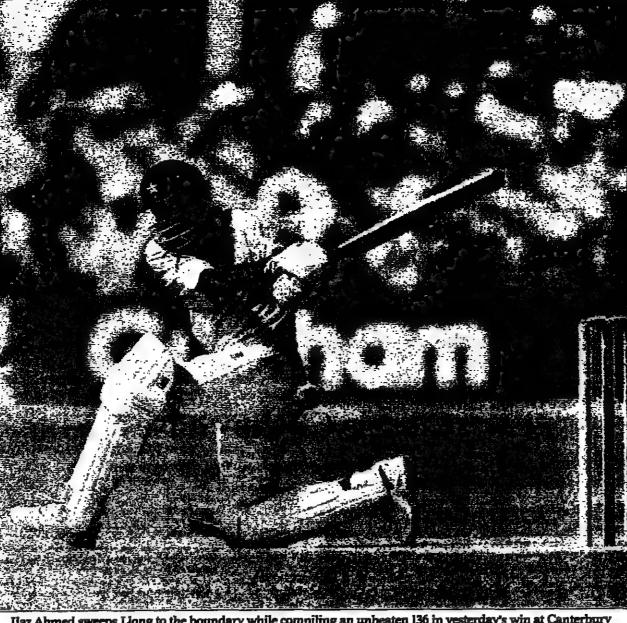


The Pakistanis scooped the Tetley man-of-the-match award yesterday, Saqlain Mushtaq receiving it for his seven wickets. Ijaz, who should have shared it, faced only 163 balls for his 136 runs, striking 19 fours in addition to his sixes. In a world that hurries along, the Pakistanis glide towards their goals.

As for Kent's attack, Headley was the pick. He had Aamir Schail well held at long leg by Cowdrey, who ran round some 25 yards and judged the catch nicely. The openers put on 54 in 18 overs on a pitch which gave scant help to any bowler. Patel reverted to his tactic of bowling over the wicket, wide of leg stump, a tactic, incidentally, that Derek Underwood, his great predecessor, did not

There has been widespread sympathy for Patel here, not so much for his omission from England's party as over the blunt assertion by Raymond Illingworth that he is not up to Test standard. The chairman of selectors has never been the most popular person in these parts and this comment did not go down well. Patel knows he has to take a great number of wickets for Kent now and he will not do that by spearing the ball down the leg side.

Shadab played the shot of the day, a wondrous square drive for four off McCague that was all about eye and timing. His 84 came off 177 halls and included 12 fours before Cowdrey, in his first over, had him well taken by Ward at slip. Ijaz and Asif Muitaba completed the task and the Pakistanis, immaculately attired, set off for a more arduous encounter at Lord's.



Ijaz Ahmed sweeps Llong to the boundary while compiling an unbeaten 136 in yesterday's win at Canterbury

Bailey bemoans Emburey's absence

BY PAT GIBSON

NORTHAMPTON (final day of four): Middlesex (20pts) beat Northamptonshire (4) by

IT WAS the last straw for Rob Bailey, the amiable Northamptonshire captain. Exasperated by his inability to make proper use of his own match-winning off spinner, John Emburey, he had just seen Paul Weekes, who has taken Emburey's role in the Middlesex side, bowl them to

By Raymond Keene

CHIEF CORRESPONDENT

Over the past few years the ancient Russian city of Novgo-

rod has established itself as

the host venue for a powerful

international tournament.

This year, the line-up includes Nigel Short, of Great Britain,

Veselin Topalov, the highly

successful Bulgarian grand-

master, and Judith Polgar, as

well as some of the top young

Russian grandmasters. Nota-

ble by his absence is Garry

Kasparov, who has won this

In the early rounds Vassily

Ivanchuk won an important

game against Vladimir Kramnik, who has been almost

uniformly victorious in tour-

Semi-Slav Defence

naments over the past year.

White: Vassily Ivanchuk

Black: Vladimir Kramnik

Novgorod, July 1996

3 Nc3

6 Bd3

Nß

Bg5 Bxf6

tournament twice before.

Novgorod

victory instead. The spin-off from the Ian Botham-Imran Khan libel case, where Emburey's presence was required for much of the first two days of the match, had played a bij in its outcome. And Bailey did not conceal his displeasure. "It was very frustrating," he said. There were quite a few occasions when I would have liked him to bowl but he was not there. It is farcical, really,

when a player is being dragged out of the game not just for one day but two. I don't think it is acceptable at

Bailey, whose mood was not helped by the fact that he has cracked a wrist and will be out for a while, has a good point. Although it was not the only thing that was unacceptable about Northamptonshire's performance. They should not have dropped

Such takes advantage

PETER SUCH seized on the chance offered by his nightwatchman's role to score only the second half-century of a career which stretches back to 1982 to nein Essex to a six-wicket victory over Nottinghamshire at Chelmsford yesterday (Geoffrey Wheeler writes).

Such shared a third-wicket stand of 110 with Robert Rollins who, after Graham

Rc7

Pxd1+

bxc5 Nc17 Nb6 Rd7 Rxd5 Qxd6 Qc6 Kh7 Qc7

ixg6 Bd4+

KEENE on CHESS

Bath7 Ne4 dxc5

Flood1

Nd2

far better than they did vesterday after Capel and Curran had put victory in sight.

They had already added 109 for the fifth wicket when they began the final day needing a further 77 to win but Curran immediately let his partner down by driving the first ball he received straight back to

Weekes four times on his way

to 140, which enabled Middle-

sex to set them a target of 288.

and they should have batted

Gooch had failed to score, hit a string of boundaries to speed Essex to only their third championship win of the

IQ JASOO Kerr added 123 in 27 overs at Taunton to deny South Africa A victory over Somerset, whose match with Yorkshire begins at Scarborough tomorrow, and not on Thursday as widely published.

catch. The rest were not much more supportive. Snape seemed to think that he could win the match off his own bat but he had not got very far when he lofted an attempted sweep against Weekes and was caught at wide mid-on, whereupon Emburey, of all people, clipped his first ball to the same fielder.

Tufnell, meanwhile, was persisting in bowling over the wicket into the rough on a turning pitch which is definitely not what the England selectors are looking for, and although it brought him success when the left-handed Taylor top-edged another sweep, to backward square leg, it was Weekes who struck

Capel, who had been there for 44 hours, hitting a six and nine fours, went back to a ball which kept cruelly low and was leg-before. All Warren's heroics with a broken thumb

YESTERDAYS SCOPEBOARDS Tetley's Challenge Series

Kent v Pakistanis

CANTERBLIRY (final day of three): the Pakastanis beat Kent by eight wickets KENT: First Immgs 262 (T R Ward 58, D P Fulton 58, M A Eatham 57: Wasim Akram 4 for 74) Second Innings 200 (Saglain Mushtaq 4 for 63) 4 (07 53)
PAIGSTANES: First Innings 194 (Reshid Latif 61, M A Ealham 4 for 48)

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Umpires, J C Balderstone and D R Shepherd

Tour match

Somerset v South Africa A TALINTON (final day of three): Somerage draw with South Alnca A SOMERSET: First Innings 301 (M N Latiwell 108, K A Parsons 62 L Klusengr 5 for 74)

M. N. Lathwell live b Crookes
M. F. Trescothick c Boje b Smith
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P. D. Bowler c Crookes b Klusener
S. C. Ecclestone c Crookes b Klusener
†P. C. L. Holloway c Patraman b Smith
G. D. Rose not out D Kerr c and b Globs Extras (b 8, fb 11, w 1, nb 14) Total (6 wkts)

Forthright hitting brought him 34 runs from 16 balls. Keedy, bowling his left-arm spinners from over the wicket, BCMLING Smith 11 5-2-34-3; Kluseys 27-7-95-2; Boje 18-5-56-0; Crookes 27-4 86-1; Gibbs 6-2-14-2; Pothes 1-0-5-0 had been chiefly responsible for Derbyshire's mid-innings collapse. He was hit by Cork SOUTH AFRICA A: First Innings 509 for 7 dec (D N Crookes 155 not out, N Boje 89, J B Commins 73, \$ J Patramen 55) for 17 in a penultimate over Umpires: J W Holder and A G T Whitehead. which had begun with 19 required. Derbyshire finally

Britannic Asserzace county championship

Essex v Nottinghamshire CHELMSFORD (finel day of four): Eas (24pts) beer Nottinghamehire (4) by i wickets NOTTINGHAMBHIRE: First Innings (R C Irani 5 for 27, M C Not. 4 for 31)

Second Innings D D J Rebinson b Afford
A P Grayson b Boven
TR J Rollins not out
P M Such c Afford b Beise
G A Goodh c Pollend b Baise... S G Ligw not out ... Extrass (Bo 2, mb 6) BOWLING: Evens 7-3-10-0; Bowen 8-1 31-1; Bates 13-1-36-2; Afford 15-3-46-1 Atrail 3-0-21-0.

Lancashire v Derbyshire OLD TRAFFORD (final day of four): Derbyshire (21 pls) best Lancestore (7) by two wickets

Stream invited J E R Gallian et Krikken b Jones S P Titchard b DeFreites

BOWLING: Herris 2-0-3-0; DeFreites 11-1-41-1; Jones 18-2-79-1; Barnett 2-0-17-0; Ademis 9-1-29-0. DERBYSHARE: First lunings 473 for 8 dec (C. J. Ademis 119, K. M. Krikker, 104, D. G. Cork 83 not out; G. Chappie 4 for 83)

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D G Cork not out Total (8 wide) FALL OF WICKETS: 1-14, 2-22, 3-220, 4-227, 5-230, 6-233, 7-240, 8-267.

NORTHAMPTON (fine) day of fout): Middlesex (20pts) best Northamptonshire (4) by 26 runs Second Innings 302 (P N Weekes 140, J D Carr 57; Taylor 6 for 68)

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings 172 (K.M. Curran 55 not out; A.R. C. Freshir

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-48, 2-63, 3-63, 4-102, 5-216, 6-238, 7-238, 8-245, 9-253 BOWLING: Fraser 14-1-41-0, Fay 10-1-47-0; Tufnell 36.4-9-79-3; Hewiti 10-1-27-3, Weekes 20-1-61-4.

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SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent

Winning Bridge at Home is the third and final book in Tony Forrester's series written especially for those who are not interested in bridge clubs. I remember quite liking the first in the series; it got the sincerest bridge player's recommendation — I lent it to someone who has refused to return it. Topics covered in the third book are competitive bidding and constructive bidding. and there are also sections on declarer play and defence. The following is from the section on declarer play. Cover up the East and West hands before reading the solution:

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+10866 #AQ7 **eJ96** ●Q1082 **VA432** YK98765 *KQ72 +193 S ... **# 54** PAK4 . A4 +KJ10#8### 2 C 3 C 6 C 2 NT 4 C

Contract: Six Clubs by South Lead; king of diamonds

With an apparent loser in both spades and diamonds, South's Six Clubs looks hopeless at first glance. However, there is a way. Win the ace of diamonds, cross to the seven of clubs and

play the queen of hearts,

discarding a diamond if East plays small. West will win with his ace

and no doubt continue with a second diamond. Ruff this, cross to the queen of clubs and play the jack of hearts. Ruff East's king away and then cross back to dummy with the ace of clubs to cash the ten of

hearts, discarding your spade loser.

☐ Winning Bridge at Home Tony Forrester (B. T. Batsford, price £8.99). ☐ The Great Britain team gained eight places at the European junior champion-ships. The European schools championship begins today. STANDINOS (after eight rounds): 1, Norwey 161pts: 2, Israel 159; 3, Denmark 157; 4, Plussia 146; 5, Poland 144; 6, Sweden 139; 7, Indand 137; 8, Soaland 139; 9, Austria 127, 10 thely 120; 16, Great Britain 112. ☐ Robert Sheehan writes on

bridge Monday to Friday in

Sport and in the Weekend

section on Saturday.

WORD WATCHING

AHIMSA A wise woman b. A purple rock flower c. Non-violence

a. A racing carriage b. An ugly mug c. An informer

By Philip Howard

CHAMOTTE a. A lunge with the epée b. Edible seaweed c. Powdered fire-clay EDAPHON a. A Greek buffet

b. Earthy plankton c. A conch loud-speaker Answers on page 46 **b**6 Rc7

dxc4 section on Saturday.

Nd5 Ob7 Ne7 37 Clg4 38 Nd6 Od7 NgB Black resigns Diagram of final position

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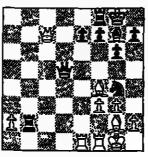
Times book

The Times Winning Moves 2 contains 240 chess puzzles from international grandmaster Raymond Keene's daily column in The Times, and is available now from bookshops or from B. T. Batsford Ltd (tel: 01376 321276) at £6.99 plus postage and packing. ☐ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in Sport and in the Weekend

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

Black to play. This position is a variation from the game Maurer - Sharif, Liechtenstein 1996. 1 ... Qd4+ is a strong move here for Black but he actually has a more direct continuation which forces a quick checkmate. Can you see



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69, 214; D Grahem (Aus) 69, 74, 71, 223 Peimer 75, 75, 73. BASEBALL AMERICAN LENGUE: Battmara 10 Bouron 6 (10 innings); Cleveland 7 Minnesota 5; Taronto 5 Detroit 4 (12 innings); Rélivaulese 3 New York 2: Chicago 6 Kenses City 3; Seattle 6 California 2; Caldend 11 Texas 8. NATIONAL LEAGUE: Phisburgh 6 Cincinna 4; Monthest 4 New York 3: St Louis 6 Chicago 5 (10 innings); Houston 4 Albanta 3 (10 Innings); Los Angeles 7 San Francisco 6; Pritedelonia 12 Floride 3; San Diego 2 Colorado 0 MOTORCYCLING LAGUNA SECA RACEWAY, California: World Superbiles championship: Soth round: Race one: 1, Mooriss (U.S.) Ducas) 41min 03.153sec; 2, T. Corser (Aus.) Ducas) 11 0, 117sec; 3, N. Hodgeson (GB, Ducas) 12 0, 4, C. Edwards (U.S. Yarmaha) 17.326; 5, A. Siigint (NZ, Honda Castrol) 15.682; 6, M. Hale (U.S. Ducas) 17.440; 7, S. Crater (NZ, Kawassel) 25.637; 8, C. Fogarty (GB, Honda Castrol) 26.053; 9, W. Yoshikawa (Japen, Yarnaha) 26.624; 10, K. McCarthy (Aus., Kawassel) 40.59.224; 2, Corser 4.891; 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 13.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 4.891; 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 13.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 14.93); 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 12.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 4.891; 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 12.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 4.93); 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 12.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 4.93); 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 12.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 4.93); 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 12.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 4.93); 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 13.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 4.93); 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 13.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 4.93); 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 13.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 4.93); 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 13.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 4.93); 3, Siight 11.743; 4, (GB, Honda Castrol) 13.344; 5, Crater (NZ, Z. Corser 2.945; 5, Sight 1300; 3, Fogarty 170; 4, Kocinski 157

CRICKET MCC TROPHY (one day): Semi-fination
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won by 85 nurs. New Brighton: Cheshire
270-6 (P R J Bryson 83, T Cockban 55),
Buckinghareshire 247, J C Hammon 77)
Cheshire won by 23 nurs. CRICKETER CUP: Semi-limata: Upping ham Rovers 235-8, Lancing Rovers 221-8 Harrow Warrderers 235, Bradfield Walt

Harrow Wanderers 235, Bradheid Walks 235-B Finel to be played at Benk of England ground on August 4, BREWERS COMPANY CUP: Old Enhantars 305-5, Old Pangbournians 300-7; Denstone Wanderers 188-8, King's Sruton 192-9; Old Suttonians 204-5, Old Johnlans 207-3, Old Hurstjohntens 243, Old Drillonaris 226-6. GOLF

MADISON, Mississippit Deposit Guaranty Classic: Leading final-round scores (US infect status): 282 W Mood 68, 67, 68, 67 CS97. K Tropiet 56, 68, 57, 68, 67, 72. D Corn 89, 69, 69, 65, 6 Kraft 68, 66, 68, 71, 272. D Corn 89, 69, 68, 69, 69 Pisachmer 70, 68, 66, 65, N Lancosner 70, 57, 68, 69; D Echwards 68, 67, 65, 71, 272. R Freeman 72, 65, 68, 68, 274: S Jurgenson 68, 68, 69, 69; R Woodners 68, 68, 68, 73, 275; L Mathace 69, 70, 69, 67; G Day 70, 67, 70, 68, 67; G Day 70, 67, 70, 67; G Day 70, 67, 70, 68, 70; G Day 70, 67, 70, 68, 70; G Day 70, 67, 70, 68, 62, 70, 00

COON IMPIDS; Minnesota: Burnet Senior Classic. Leading final accres (US unless stated) 205; V Fernandez SI, 66, 68, 206; B Crampton 69, 69, 68, J C Sneed 66, 71, 69, 207; R Flood 68, 74, 65, 208; D Stockton 69, 70, 69; J Jacobs (GB) 69, 70, 69; J Stockton 69, 70, 69; J Jacobs (GB) 69, 70, 69; T Wargo 68, 69, 71; J Colbert 73, 65, 70

Other scores: 211; S Holdday (SA) 71, 70, 70; H Irwin 69, 69, 73, 212; L Trevino 68, 75,

SHOOTING BRSLEY: NRA Imperial Meeting: The Times Cup (300yds)* Tie: A Jones (Twioterham), M Wrood (Fluddersfield), N Braso-ier (LMRA), J Carmichael (Bromsgove) and D Richards (Gum Room Lizerds) all 50.10. Silhouettes Cup (Pistol): 1, R Duckoorth 284pts; 2, P Cutts 278; 3, P Leatherdael 277* Grennet Cup (Pistol): 1, Duckoorth 281pts; 2, J Catins; 285; 3, J Hamison 280. British Running Deer championehip: Shegles: 1, D Crapman BSpits; 2, H Doon BR; 3, J Kynook 88 Doubles: 1, Chapman Schet; 2, Kynook 87; 3, Dixon 85 UIT Pistol-Aggregate Cup: 1, Duckoorth 579pts; 2, Leotherdael 574; 3, S Tompson 573, Police R09; 500 and 600yds): 1, A Zainsi (Malaysia) 98, 12; 3, M Ismai (Malaysia) 98, 12; 3, M Ismai (Malaysia) 50, 13; Duke or Cembridge (900yds): Tier W Tart (Harare) and R Hodglers (HAC) both 50, 50s. Alexandra (600yds): Tier C Brook (LMRA), S Thomas (Central Barkers), P

RUGBY LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION: Satey Buffdogs () Featherstone 32: Hull 26 Huddersfled Clams 16, Waterleid 31 Wornes 4 Second division: Bramley 16 Hull Kingston Rovers 60: Charley Magpies 32 Prescot Parthers 4; South Wales 30 Leigh Centunons 22.

POOLS FORECAST

aturday July 27 40 Olympians v Croydon 41 P Lion v Adelaide R 42 Salisbury v Camp X'n PRRST DIVISION 22 Genry v O Scotch 23 Heidelbig v Geefig R 24 Keysborö v Bellarat 25 Milcham v Knor Pk 26 Momitin v Spingle C 27 N Sunshine v Douete 28 S Wentims v Melton 43 Efizabeth y P Pirie 44 Efizabeth y Sestord 45 Nifunga y Adel'de C 65 Para Hills y Cumbrid 47 W Adel'de y Plympton 48 WT Biodio y Mooduny 1 Beil Pir v Frikston P 2 E Altona v E Brunswik 3 Knox C v E Richmid 4 Moorilo k v Altona C 6 Nunawadig v Waverley 6 Regent v Celdeigh 7 W Vale v S Danderig THIRD DIVISION WEST AUSTRALIA PREMIER LEAGUE CHEENSLAND FOURTH DIVISION 29 Bayowater v Stirling 30 Kingsway v Inglewid 31 Knights v Screneo 32 Speerwood v Swan 8 Banyule v Frankston 2
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10 Caltan v Clemond 2
11 Keslor v Floroy 2
12 Pascoe v S Caufful X
13 Ringyli V S Wentbee 1
14 S Spiguale v Cranbine X
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37 Rock Harm v Bass'o'n
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15 Cono v Yarrawilla 2 16 Leto v S Hooghts X 17 L'ignemin V Sand'gin 1 18 Montault v Sunbury 1 19 Montault v Gestong 2 20 Seatend U v N Coburg X 39 B Eagles v Woodville X DRAWS (frome teams): Regent, Chelsea, Pascoe Vale, South Springuste, Lator, Sastord United, Mornington, Bayendair, Blue Eagles, Para Hills, Pine Hills, Dosa, Best DRAWS; Chelsea, Lator, Mornington, Bayswater, Para Hills.

AWAYS: Frankston Pines, East Richmond,

Vince Wright gave seven aways out of eight last Saturday

your team's peril. FOR THE RECURBE 10

Schoemmakers (Europeen RA) and P Kent (O Epsomosens) ali 50.9ris. Clementi-timitti Aggregate: 1, T Raincock (Notiting-hem Univ) 150.27pcts; 7, Enroces 150.20; 3, FALI A Gent (RAF) 150.24. Steward Cup (fours): 1, Wandssvorth Red Sol.22pts; 2, Old Epsomien A 587.85; 3, Old Marlourien 598.67. Police Rifle: 1, A Zainal (Malaysia) 99.10pts; 2, A Rajali (Malaysia) 98.12; 3, M lernoli (Malaysia) 97.13. SPEEDWAY

PREMIER LEAGUE: Peterborough 58 Scottish Monarchs 40. CONFERENCE LEAGUE: Burran 39 Dev-on 39; Peterborough 35 Linkhyow 49

CAIRO: World jurior men's chemplon-ship: Teem event: First-nound qualifying: Pool A: Petestan 3 France 0; Egypt 3 (England names first. Eleachit bt 5 Ruzik 9-4, 9-6, 9-1; J Russell bt D Parent 9-7, 10-9, 3-9, 6-9, 9-7; A Grant bt D Parent 9-7, 10-9, 3-9, 6-9, 9-7; A Grant bt D Parent 9-7, 10-9, 3-9, 6-9, 9-7; A Grant bt D Parent 9-7, 10-9, Australia 3 Melaysia 0, Pool C: Germany 3 Hong Kong 0; Argentina 3 Italy 0, Pool D: Wales 3 South Alrica 0 (Weles ames first: M Benjamin bt C Blom 9-4, 9-4, 9-0; G Tippings bt M Rogers 5-9, 4-9, 9-7, 9-3, 9-3; N Duka bt E Dippenaer 5-9, 9-7, 9-7, 9-5); Firland 2 New Zesland 1 Pool E: India 3 Kanya 0; Hollend 3 Kuwell 0, Pool P: Scotland 3 Singapone 0 (Scottend names first: D Knowles bt A Lim 9-2, 9-1, 9-2; C Small bt K Lim 9-0, 9-0; A Tester bt M Rizal 5-9, 3-9, 9-5; 10-8, 9-0; United States 3 Brazil 0, Pool G: Austria 3 Bermuda 0 Spein 3 Nigeria 0; Cyprus 3 Bermuda 0

WASHINGTON: Men's tournament: Finet. M Chang (US) bt W Fereira (SA) 6-2, 6-4. MAHWAH, New Jersey: Women's tournament: Finet. A Frazier (US) bt M Maleeva (Bu) 6-4, 6-3.

TRIATHLON KOBLENZ, Germany: International grand pric 1, S Smith (CE) 850ts (first race 28, second race 27, third race 29); 2, S Lassing (CE) 81 (30, 21, 30); 3, B Beyer (Aus) 77 (27, 23, 28); 4, B Englit (Aus) 77 (22, 28, 27); 5, G Wetch (Aus) 76 (28, 22, 26).

FIRTURES

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FOOTBALL

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second-line bowling, which proved to the liking of John Umpires: D J Constant and G Sharp. Crawley, whose undefeated 97 came from 101 balls, Lancashire's declaration at lunch arrived after 172 had been If there was a lesson to be drawn, it went back to

Gallian's first innings. His 312 was the second highest score Total (3 with dec) The highest was Percy Per-FALL OF WICKETS: 1-24, 2-30, 3-174 rin's undefeated 343 in 1904 and Essex lost. Yesterday confirmed that if you make 300 against the Midlanders, it is at Second Innings

> BOWLING: Chapple 15-0-55-3; Mertin 8-1-15-1; Keedy 21-1-91-3; Welkinson 12.3-0-70-0; Elworthy 8-0-35-0. Umpires: G I Burgess and A Clarkson.

Northamptonshire v Middleser

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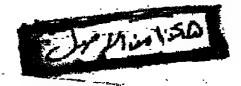
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OLYMPIC GAMES

Davidson turns on the style in dressage

FROM JENNY MACARTHUR

THE loudest cheers around the steamy dressage stadium at the Georgia International Horse Park yesterday were reserved for Bruce Davidson, twice the world champion, and his nine-year-old thoroughbred, Heyday, whose superb test helped to increase the lead held by the United States in the three-day event. New Zealand, the favour-

ites, have moved ahead of Canada and Great Britain into second place after a polished performance from their third rider, Vicky Latta, on Broadcast News. Britain, second overnight, have dropped two places, as had been expected. Their third rider, Gary Parsonage, on Magic Rogue — cross-country rather than dressage specialists - finished well down on a score of 62.60 points.

With Mark Todd, of New



Olympic champion, already out of the Games, there was more disappointing news yesterday when Matt Ryan, the champion in Barcelona, had to withdraw from the Australia team after his horse. Hinnegar, sustained a bruised foot. Ryan is replaced by Gillian Rolton and Peppermint Grove, whose test yester-day helped to lift the defending champions into fifth place.

Today, the competition moves into the speed and endurance phase, with a crosscountry course described by Plyth Tait, the former world nampion from New Zealand. as "severe even if the conditions were normal".

Davidson, a member of the last gold medal-winning United States team, in 1984, was delighted with the performance of Heyday. At the

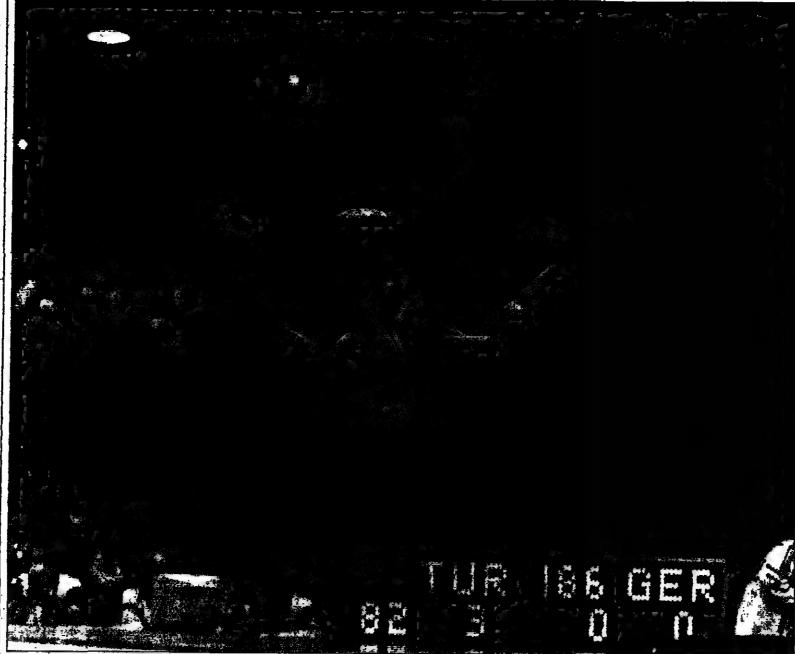
horse was only his third choice for Atlanta. At Kentucky, in May, the main US selection trial, Davidson fell from Hey-day and broke his shoulder, which prevented him from qualifying his two leading Olympic contenders, Eagle Lion, his 1995 Badminton winner, and Squelch, However, Heyday Is an improving horse, as he showed to telling effect in his dressage test.

Magic Rogue's dressage is also improving, but he still has a long way to go. "He's like me." Parsonage said about the 12-year-old part-Arab gelding. "He can't wait to get going on the cross country. I don't think he can really see the point of dressage." Magic Rogue was sent to Parsonage's yard as a wilful four-year-old in need of rebreaking. Parsonage, dis-covering the horse had a huge jump, decided to buy him. His record in four-star

events is exemplary. He had a clear round at Badminton and Burghley in 1995 and again at Badminton this year, when an overreach prevented him from completing the event. Parsonage would not wish to be on any other horse today for a course which he describes as "very serious with no let-ups".

For Latta, 45, a lawyer from Auckland, who has been based at Gatcombe for six years, the Games are also a farewell. Broadcast News, a 13-year-old New Zealand-bred gelding, whose delightful test yesterday appeared to be harshly marked by Dr Bernt Springorum, of Germany, one of the three judges, has al-ready been sold to Italy.

Latta, who has run out of money, will return to New Zealand after Burghley in September. Having been denied an individual medal in Barcelona after a controverpenalty on the cross country, it would be a fitting end to her acclaimed international career if she could beginning of the year, the secure a team medal.



Hamza Yerlikiya, of Turkey, celebrates the victory over Thomas Zander, of Germany, which won him a gold medal in the Green-Roman wrestling

British crews save energy for repechages With Belorussia suddenly

FROM MIKE ROSEWELL POWING CORRESPONDENT

ALL four of the British Olympic crews racing yesterday will have to endure repechages here at Lake Lanier in Gainesville tomorrow. Nick Strange and Andy

Sinton, in the men's lightweight double, got a messy start after Sinton, the stroke, slightly anticipeted the starting light. They got it back together, though, and were leading at 500," Nick Howe, the creek sold. That they had the coach, said, "but they had another minor shipwreck at that point and that was it: really.

"It was very bouncy in their lane one, the Italians and Spanish were going hammer and tongs, and we decided to live to fight another day." His crew finished fifth. The lightweight men's four,

in their first race under Robin Williams, the new coach, and in a tough heat with the fancied Denmark, Ireland and Italy all involved, also got away poorly, but were still in the pack at 500 metres. A good patch in the middle encouraged them, but, with only one crew progressing directly and with the British in fifth place at 1,500 metres, it was decision

Deve Lemon, the bow man. called for a "go" stroke, but the not want to chase it for no ing at the times, they probably did the right thing," he said. Kay summed it up. "It's not all doom and gloom. We learnt a

lot and got new technical things right." Both the men's and women's eights had to finish first in yesterday's races to book a direct route to the final on Sunday. Both failed. In the women's heat, Romania, the world record-holders, sewed up the Issue in the first 500 metres, achieving a remarkable lead over Canada, gain, said the No 3 man, Tom Germany and Britain, who key. Williams agreed. "Look-were then placed last: Nothing changed, except for the mar-

coming good and beating the United States, the world champions in the other heat, Bill Mason, the Britain coach, has some talking to do to his proteges, who gained sympa-thy from many on Sunday by commandening a rare bus to get them to flicir training

The appearance of the men's eight, desperately short of racing practice after mid-sea-son liness and in a new order, with Richard Flamilton at stroke also finashed fourth. Before the race, the coach,

Sean Bowden, simply said: We want to try and be competitive with Canada and Australia, presumably ex-pecting Holland, this year's outstanding crew, to win. The them to focus.

did prove competitive with Canada and Australia, at least to 1,500 metres. Their effort in their first race for two months should boost confidence for tomorrow.
Britain's two leading crews,

the coxless pair and the coxless four, have been moved out of the Olympic village to a hotel in Gainesville, near the course. David Tanner, the team manager, said yester-day: "It's no big deal. It's less journey time, a more out-ofthings environment and better for them." Steve Redgrave and Matthew Pinsent, in the pairs, and the Searle brothers, in the fours, all Olympic champions, are certainly attracting media attention, which should help

Women's wrestling on Olympic agenda

WOMEN'S wrestling — in its stylised, athletic guise rather than in its professional, sometimes muddy, form — may soon be accepted as an Olympic sport (John Goodbody
writes). Freestyle women's
wrestling is highly popular in
parts of the United States,
many of the former Soviet
republics, India and eastern Europe.

The International Olympic Committee is believed to be considering introducing the sport, provided that the number of men's weight categories is reduced. Michel Dusson, the secretary of the International Wrestling Federation, said: The standard is high in women's wrestling. and it is lovely to look at."

Chen checked

Table tennis: Chen Xinhua the British player who had been given permission by Donald Parker, the team coach, to complete his preparation for Atlanta in his hometown of Fujian, China, has found himself marooned and in danger of missing his opening match, on Friday. A complex set of travel arrangements have been formulated which, if successful, will give Chen the briefest of limatisation periods.

Drugs move

Athletics: The International Olympic Committee has refused to intervene in the cases of Dean Capobianco, the Australian sprinter, and Ant-onella Bevilacqua, the Italian high jumper, who could be banned from the Games for failing drugs tests.

Markus Koistinen, the

Finnish shot putter, is reported to have been dropped after failing a drugs test.

Obree suffers

Cycling: Blood tests have in revealed that Graeme Obree, we of Britain, who races in the .. qualifying round of the 4,000 metres pursuit tomorrow, is still being affected by a long- standing viral problem.

Briton foiled

Fencing: Fiona McIntosh suffered a disappointingly easy defeat in the women's foil yesterday, going out in the first round against Ivana Gueorguieva, of Bulgaria.

SUNDAYS LATERES RESERVE

Round-robin

Italy 2 South Korse 1: Cube 8 Japan 7.

Baskethall Women's preliminary round POOL A: Brazi 69 Canade 56; Japan 63 Russa 73, haly 69 China 52 POOL 8: Ukraine 81 Zerre 55; United States 101 Cuba 64; Australia 76 South Korea 51.

Boxing

Light-flyweight.

FIRST ROUND: S Kamsing (Thal) bit Y Giriti (That) pits; B Mendoza (Col) nt D Filian (Can) pits, S Bornes (Rom) bit J Perez (Dom R) pits; O Kiryushim (Jula) bit A Cambrani (Paki) pits; A Resonneivo (Med) bit G Baca (Floris) pits; Y Aguilera (Cube) bit S Strom (Swe) rec 2nd md; M Velaspo (Phil) bit Tail Chih-Hasil (Tawan) rice 1st md; H Berhil (Mor) bit A Tetteh (Chana) pits; Yang Xiangzhong (China) bit A Rossell (Peru) pits; R Lozano (Sp) bit J Benhard (Nam) pits; M Meleopula (Sa) bit T Debandra (India) rice 1st md; J Martinez (Mea) bit B Sapok (Melay) pits; L Lapani (India) to 1st md; J Martinez (Mea) bit B Balez (Slovakia) pits. Light-flyweight

Lightweight
FRST ROUND: M. Strange (Carr) bt F
Martnez (Mac) pts, D. Zmiba (Zam) bt S
Ostrochaptene (Balo) rec and mid: T
Tendoriev (Bul) bt O Taykou (Mold) rsc 2nd
cell, J. Konecny (Cc) bt I Kabore (B Faso)
St., V Phongsit (Thei) bt I Buhalu (SA pts; I
Ultuman (Mong) bt M Mojecs (Dom R) pts; T
Cauthern (LS) bt M Mojecs (Dom R) pts; T
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Cauthern (Mong) bt M Maria (Kan) rsc
3rd md; F Nievea (Arg) bt P Agentino (Ups)
pts; H Soltania (Aig) bt V Lasever (Turk) pts;
A Nunez (Br) bt H Kunst (PNG) lie-brack S
Kopenhan (Myn) bt C Giantiomess (II) pts; L
Doroftei (Florn) bt J Miboumba (Gaboni rsc
2nd md; J Conzalez Veltadens (Cuba) bt R
Choi (N Kof) pts.

Heavyweight

FIRST ROUND: I Kehinin (Rus) bit M Amrou (Egypti) pis. L Krasniq (Ger) bit R Chagayer (Uzb) pis, G De Silva (NZ) bit C O'Gredy (he) rsc. 1a md; S Dychlov (Bele) bit R Kuldins (Lei) pis, W Bartrik (Pol) bit L Singh (India) pis, G kandelale (Georgia) bit T Gerca (Ed) pis; K Turkson (Swe) bit Ko Young-sam (S Kor) pis; F Savon (Cuba) bit A Kumyavka (kyr) pis. Cycling Women's road race J. J. Longo-Cuprelli (Fr) 2hr 39min 13sec; 2, I. Chiappe (II) 2:36:38; 3, C. Hughes (Can) 2:36:44; 4, V. Horfseld (Gel) 2:37:08; 5, J. Polisevickite (Lith) 6, Z. Zabirova (Rus); 7, A. Cappallotto (II); 8, B. Heeb (Switz); 9, K. Wett (Aus); 10, S. Pelmer (Can); 11, M. Punns (GB); 19, S. Philips (GB) all serms time; 43, C. Alexander (GB) 2:53.47.

Fencing Men's individual sabre SECOND ROUND: S Sharkov (Rus) bt J Wilsoms (GB) 15-11

OUARTER-FINALS: D Touys (Fr) bt R
Sansider (Pol) 15-12: S Pozdinyskov (Rus)
bt V Gutlsayt (Ukr) 15-14; J Navarete (Huri)
bt F Bocker (Ger) 15-7; S Sharikov (Rus) bt
S Wiesinger (Ger) 15-6 SEMI-FINALS: Sharkov bt Touya 15-14; Pozdryakov bt Navameta 15-7.

Navarrete 15-7 FINAL: S Pozdnyakov (Rue) bt S Shankov Worgen's individual epée OLIA SER-FINALS: V Barlois (Fr) bt T Nagy (Fun) 15-9; G Szalay Horvalinne (Hun) b; Ko Jung-sun (S Kor) 15-5, L Flessel (Fr) bt A Hormay (Hun) 15-12; M Zalafii (K) bt M Himer (User) 15-1.
SEMI-FINALS: Beriols bt Zalaffi 15-6:
Flessel bt Szalay Horvathne 15-10.
BRONZE MEDAL BOLT: G Szalay
Horvathne (Hun) bt Zalaffi 15-7.
FINAL L Flessel (Fr) bt V Barlots (Fr) 15-12.

BRONZE MEDAL BOUT: D Touya (Fr) bt

Football Men's preliminary round

POOL C: Messoo 1 Italy 0: South Kores 1 Ghana 0. POOL D: Hungary D. Jepan 1 Bazzl 0; Nigerie 1

Women's preliminary round POOL A: United States & Denmark 0; Chins. 2 Sweden 0 POOL B: Germany 3 Japan 2; Norway 2 Brazi 2.

Gymnastics

Women's team event POSITIONS AFTER COMPULSORY EX-FRCISES: 1, Russia 193.786pts; 2, Unded States: 193.669; 3, Romania: 193.138; 4; Usrano: 192.309; 5, China: 191.833; 8, Belcauscia: 191.569; 7, Spain: 189.458; 8, Hungary 188.520; 9, France: 187.094; 10, Australia: 188.845; 11, Greece: 183.536; 12, Japan: 183.418.

Hockey Men's preliminary round

POOL B: Holland 2 Melaysia 0; Greet Britain 2 South Korea 2; South Africa 1 Australia 1.

Women's round-robin

Germany 2 Spain 1; Hodand 1 Great Britain 1.

Judo Men's under 95kg

Menn's unider 95kg
POOL A: Second round: M Femandes (Br)
bit A Bender (Arg); S Chaldmov (Kaz) bit N
Cerewage (Fill): A Falicite (Malur) bit W
Bouzz (Linu); K Morgan (Carr) bit A Gudierrez
(Ment): P Nashule (Pol) bit A Kowace (Hun); G
Guldo (R) bit N Khairoullo (Tal); A Senchez
Armentero (Cuba) bit Y Radu (Rom); P
Soenes (Pol) bit D Knorrek (Ge). Third
round: Femandes bit Chaldmov; Felicite bit
Morgan; Nashule bit Guldo: Soenes
POOL B: Second round: B Sonnamans
(Hol) bit W Al Awazam (Jor); R Stevens (GB).
bit B B Gheraba (Egypt); Kim Min-soo
(S Kor) bit V Thotelsson (loe); D Sergeyev
(Rus) bit D Solonyov (Lizb); Y Nalemmar
(Japan) bit H Ait Sabah (Mor); M
Lobaranidae (Georgie) bit R Capo (US); S
Transeau (Fr) bit L Swind (Belb); D Gowing
(MZ) bit S Pepo: (Slovaka). Third round:
Sonnamans bit Stevens; Kim Min-soo bit
Sergeyev, Nalemura bit Lobaranidae;
Transeau bit Gowing. Cuenter-finals: Kim bit
Schill-Finkals: Kim Min-soo bit Traineau;
Nesals bit M Fermandes
BRONZE MEDNI. SOUTE: B Traineau;
Finhal: P Nashula (Pol) Nashula bit Kim Min-son (S Kim)

FINAL: P Nastula (Pol) Nastula M Kim Min-

Women's under 72kg

WOMEN'S LINGUT 72Kg
POOL, A: Second round: Y Scapin (ti) bit
Long Chun Hui (China): T Belyayeve (Lin)
bit S Richter (Rom); U Werbrouck (Bel) bit S
Gelyent (Rus): C Curto So) bit O Nazarento
(Turkmenistan) Querter-finats: Werbrouck
bit Curto; Belyayeva bit Scapin.
POOL B: Second round: K Howey (GB) bit
K Klenturs (Hol): Y Tenebe (Jepan): bit H
Erret; E Essombe (H) bit D Lana (Cuba): F
Gomez (Ven) bit N Galea (Aus). Querterfinats: Tanabe bit Howey: Essombe bit
Gomes.
SEMI-FINALS: Werbrouck bit Selyayeva: SEME-FINALS: Werbrouck by Belyayeva;

Tarrabe bt Essortice. BRONZE MEDAL BOUTS: Y Scapin (it) bt. Essortice; D Luna (Cuba) bt Belyayeva. FINAL: U Werbrouck (Bel) bt Y Tarrabe

Shooting Men's trap FINAL: 1, M Diamond (Aus) 149pts; 2, J Lakatos (US) 147; 3, L Bade (US) 147; 4, J Maxwell (Aus) 148; 5, Zhang Bing (China) 148; 6, V Slamka (Slovalda) 145, Non-quellflers; equal 8, P Boden (GB) 121 four of 125; equal 37, K GH (GB) 117; equal 42, T Allen (Ire) 116

Softball

Round-robin United States 10 Puerto Filico & Canadia 2 Taiwen 1; China 6 Australiar 0; Japan 5 Holland 0.

Swimming Men's 400m individual medley.

FINAL: 1, T Doton (LS) 4min 14.90sec; 2, E Namesnik (LS) 4:15:25; 3, C Mydan (Cen) 4:16:25; 4, M Durm (Aus) 4:16:65; 5, M Wonds (Hol) 4:17.71; 6, L: Sacchi (B) 4:18:31; 7, M Malinsto (Fol) 4:20:50; 8, 8 Nantriouk (Mold) 4:21:18.

Men's 4 x 200m freestyle relay PINAL: 1. United States (J. Davies, B. Schumacher, J. Hudepohl, R. Berube) 7min-14.84eec; 2. Sweden (C. Wellin, A. Holmettz, L. Frolander, A. Lyrbring): 7:7.58; 3. Germeny (A. Heltmann, C. Keller, C. Tröger, S. Zesner): 7:17.71; 4. Australia: 7:18.47; 5. Great Britain (P. Patrner, A. Claylon, M. Stevens, J. Seller): 7:8.74 (British record: 7:21.92 in heats, British record: — Salter, Clayton, Stevens, Pakmer): 6. fally 7:19.92; 7. Holland: 7:21.96; 8. France: 7:24.85. Women's 200m freestyle

FBMAL: 1. C Poli (Costa Rica) Imin 58.18sec; 2 Fven Almsick (Ger) 1:58.57; 3. D Hassa (Ger) 1:59.58; 4. L Juckson (US) 1:59.57; 5. S O'Nail (Aus) 1:59 87; 6. C Teuscher (US) 2:00.79; 7, 3 Graville (Aus) 2:01 46; 8. L Dobresou (Rom) 2:01 63. Non-qualifiers: K Padvaning (GB) 2:01.48; M Madine (Ire) 2:04.62.

Women's 100m breaststroke FINAL: 1, P Heyna (SA) 1min 07.73eec (107.02 in heads, world record); 2, A Beard (US) 108 06; 3, S Hey (Aus) 109.16; 4, S Bonderano (UK) 109.21; 5, Y Hachka (Austria) 1:09.24; B, G Cloutier (Car) 1:09.40; 7, A Kovacs (Hun):1:09.55; 8, B Becus (Bal) 1:09.79, Non-qualifier: J King (GB) 1:10.83.

Volleyball

Men's preliminary round POOL A: Bulgarie bir Cuber 15-9, 16-7, 16-7; United States bir Roland 15-9, 16-6, 15-8; Argentine bi Brazil 9-15, 15-8, 18-4, 18-8; POOR, B: Holland bit Turisis 15-4, 15-4, 16-8; POOR, B: Holland bit Turisis 15-4, 15-1, 15-8; Yugoslawie bir Russis 10-15, 15-13, 16-10, 15-11.

Water polo Preliminary round POOL A: Russia 9 Yugoslavia 9; Hungary 9 Germany 8; Spain 8 Holland 7. POOL B: Croatia 11 Romania 8; Italy 8 Ukraine 6; Linited Status 9 Greece 7.

Weightlifting Under 59kg

UTICIET DSRG 1. Targ Lingstang (China; snatch 137.5kg, claen and jerk 170.0) 907.5 (world record): 2. L. Sabanis (Gr. 137.5, 187.5) 305.0; 3, N. Pashalov (But, 137.5, 185.0) 302.6; 4, H. Iteltats (Lapant: 132.5, 185.0) 207.5; 5, W. Vergas (Cuba; 135.0, 182.5) 295.0; 7, Y. Santistan (Aus; 125.0, 185.0) 280.0; 8, E. Jacob (US; 122.5, 185.0) 272.5, 10, P. Stantatan (Cz; 112.5, 142.5) 255.0.

Wrestling Greco-Roman, final bouts

Greco-Roman, final bouts

UNDER 48KG: For gold: Sim Kwon-ho
(S Kor) bt A Pavlov (Belo) pta 4-9 For
bronze: Z Gulyov (Belo) pta 4-9 For
bronze: Z Gulyov (Belo) pta Kang Yong
(N Kor) pta 4-0.

UNDER 57KG: For gold: Y Mehichenko
(Kaz) bt D Hall (US) pts. For bronze: Sheng
Zetian (China) bt R Khalymov (Us) pta.

UNDER 58KG: For gold: R Wohry (Pol) bt G
Yolouz (Pr) pta. For bronze: A Tretyskov
(Rus) bt K Madzinidov (Belo) pts.

UNDER 58KG: For gold: H Yeristoya (Tur) bt
T Zander (Ger) pts. For bronze: V Tsaent
(Belo) bt D Turlykhanov (Kaz) pts.

UNDER 100KG: For gold: A Wonski (Pol)
bt S Lishtvan (Belo) decision. For bronze:
M Ljungberg (Swe) bt pts.

Henman prepares to carry nation's hopes

gins of leeway.

FROM ANDREW LONGMORE

tain Park for a British Olympic medal. By reaching the quarter-finals at Wimbledon, the British No-I has unleashed the genie of hope. prompted a tenfold increase in mail, including the odd proposal of marriage, and an interest from sponsors which should remove all financial worries from the slender shoulders of the 21-year-old

from Oxford. "He is a big star in the British team," Richard Lewis,



the team manager, said. "Other members of the team have been coming up to him and congratulating him on his Wimbledon. He enjoys it, but think he has been quite

surprised by it."

Henman's life is already beginning to change. A new racket deal is in the offing and his coach, David Felgate, could be tempted away from his post as men's team manager to work full time with Henman. "He excites me every time he goes onto court," Felgate said. "I believe he is potentially the best player we've had since Fred Perry." High praise indeed, but

Henman remained level-

THE expectations surrounding Tun Henman have become so great that some people are now looking to the tennis centre at Stone Mountain Park for a Britist Clare. it will start to affect my

"I want to take the positive things out of Wimbledon, beating Rafelnikov and Gustafsson in particular, but I mustn't rest on my laurels or pretty soon the US Open will be coming round and I'll be having a lean spell."

Henman stans his tirst Olympic tournament today against Shuzo Matsuoka, a big server from Japan, but few names should hold much fear for him on hard courts, his favourite surface. Wayne Ferreira, seeded five, and Jan Siemerink, the ninth seed, bar his way to a potential quarterfinal against Andre Agassi, who meets Jonas Bjorkman in the first round. "I'd

definitely look forward to playing Agassi," Henman said. "But it's a long way off." Unlike Agassi, Henman took part in the opening ceremony, parading round the Olympic stadium with the ren of the Britain team. That was something that crossed my mind the moment I was selected for the Olympics," he said. "It was unbelievably said. It was unbedevalory special. You can't really ex-plain the feelings unless you've been there. When you enter the stadium, there are 90,000 people cheering and Steve Redgrave carrying the flag. It was a long night, but well worth it."



Henman refuses to allow inflated expectations to affect him ahead of his game today. Photograph: Marc Aspland

Basketball Men's preliminary gound

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Men's eights HEATS (winners to semi-finals, remainde to repechages): Heat one: 1, Holland (H-J. Zwole, D. Smon, M. Bartman, K. Masadyk, N. van der Zwen, N. van Steenle, P. Florin, N. Plenics, J. Duyster) 8:41-41; 2, Canada 8:44-00; 3, Austrian 5:48-51; 4, Greel 8:44-00; 8, Austrian 5:48-51; 4, Greel Britain (M. Parish, J. Welker, A. Story, P. Harmiton, B. Brown, P. Bridge, B. Hunt-Davis, G. Smith, G. Herbert) 5:49-37; 6, Ulcrains 5:55-32. Heat two: 1, United States (D. Burden, B. Keenler, P. Collins, E. Murphy, J. Kovers, J. Brown, D. Smith, F. Honsbein, S. Sepelori, 5:44-57; 2, Gennery 5:46-04; 3, Russa 5:48-63; 4, Romana 5:54-34; 5, Italy 5:54-59.

Women's lightweight double sculls

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Women's eights

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Shooting

Men's 10-metre air rifle PINAL: 1, A (Nectribleton (Rus) 695.7 pts; 2, W www. (Austra) 695.2, 3, J-P Amal (Pr): 693.1, 4, E. Alenhov (Rus); 892.5, 5, Steiner Rotterd (Nor) 892.5, 6, R Debavec (Stoverie) 892.1, 7, R Harbison (US) 691.8; 8, M Baless (C2) 690.5.

Swimming Men's 100m freestyle

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HEATS (assisted eight quality for final): Heat one: 1, D Bollingar (Guerri) 52 68sec; 2, K Roberts (Sey) 52.88; 3, D Mularoni (San M) 57.11; 4, K Al-Dhariner (IJAE) 57.70. Heat two: 1, R Mezoulis (Lith) 50.27; 2, J Goljkovic (Bane) 51.28; 3, G Yazotis (Gr.) 52.08; 4, Koh Yun-ho (S Kor) 62.56; 5, N Katelic (Yug) 52.98; 6, D Perdomo Cuenca (Col) 53.01; 7, Sng. J. Wali (Sing) 53.60; 8, J Boosneyrs Schall (Guer) 54.05 Heat fires: 1, S Arithment (Gr.) 51.07; 2, G Linachser (Sur) 51.82; 3, A IJ 6-10, 51.84; 4, J Isaza Chu (Pen) 51.86; 6, O TaveSovisty (Izb.) 52.36; 6, 8 Mitrealdoss (Cyp) 52.85; 7, M Cazmircus (Molo) 53 16; 8, Heat Grun, Carnicus (Molo) 53 16; 8, Heat Guer, S. Jasotis (Sp) 51.20; 4, F Delgado (Gc) 51.38; 5, Zhao Liting (China) 51.70; 6, M Karjer (Cro) 51.76; 7, K Varonon (Fin) 52.00; 8, T Zinhom (Sigpr) 52.16; Heat five: 1, R Busovists (Pol) 50.18; 3, O Ruidhlevich (Belo) 50.42; 4, A Yegonov (Kaz) 50.46; 5, N Gruson (Fin) 50.55; 7, E McCarthy (Ire) 50.96; 8, S Ru (Jepen), 51.29; Heat sinc: 1, G Had (US) 48.00; 2, F Senchica (Ver) 49.59; 3, P Khriskin (Usr) 49.90; 4, P van dan Hoogenflowd (Frid) 67.75; 5, Chrode (Car) 50.77; 8, B Beta (Irad) 51.25; Heat severs: 1, C Clarke (Car) 57.76; B Deckleric (Sp) 50.00; 6, A Zubor (Hun) 50.49; 7, F Bray (US) 50.77; 3, C Fyder (Jus) 50.27; 4, Blom 24cristy (Gen) 50.31; 6, N Nen (Rom) 51.14; 7, B Szabudos (Frim) 51.28; 8, J Misotians (Anj. 52.02; Heat eight: 1, A Popo (Rus) 93.74; 2, G Borges (Br) 50.31; 8, V Predion (Rus) 50.75; 7, S Bes (Alg) 50.37; 8, N Sheckel (GB) 51.08.

Men's 200m butterfly

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203.01, 2, M Brussa (Lith) 2:03.78; 3, N Infrarapichal (Thai) 2:03.88; 4, Lee Junghung (S. Kor) 2:04.85; 5, J Golovchanko (Jru) 2:04.98; 8, D Panicov (Lizh) 2:05.98; 7, A Vesconceible (Ed.) 2:05.98 Heat three: 1, D Gelic (Cro) 2:01.17; 2, A Meieriko (Macel) 2:01.48; 3, D Madelra (Por) 2:01.55; 5, V Martovito (Yug) 2:01.90; 8, J Bellester (Sp) 2:02.69; 7, J Hority (Cy) 2:02.84; 8, G Popotas (Gr) 2:05.00 Heat four: 1, D Systemyev (Urr) 1:58.04; 2, T Maichow (Ly) 1:58.04; 3, P Honstin (Hun) 1:58.76; 4, F Espositio (Fr) 1:58.79; 5, C Bernett (Carl) 2:00.28; 8, D Abrard (Fr) 2:00.57; 7, T Yernsmoto (Japan) 2:00.97; 8, C Ergenekan (Furk) 2:01.04; 5, A Czerne (Hun) 2:00.50; 6, A Oriena (M) 2:00.67; 7, A Kolesnikov (Fus) 2:00.77; 8, N Mora (Ken) 2:01.50, Heat size: 1, Hickman (GS) 1:58.16; 2, D Perriemstov (Flus) 1:58.28; 1.59.87; 5, K Gallan (Fol) 1:59.87; 6, D Millor (Kiz) 2:00.81; 7, R Carry (US) 1:50.01; 8, Fing Tin Thum (Sing) 2:07.00

Women's 400m freestyle

Women's 400m freestyle

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Women's 100m backstroke

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1:03.98; 2, P Mangraphal (Their 194.51; 3, M M Kubalcitova (Cz) 1:05.46; 4, Y Gerv (Bol) 1:05.72; 5, A Kleptou (Gr) 1:05.94; 5, Gerv (Bol) 1:05.72; 5, A Kleptou (Gr) 1:05.94; 5, Gerv (Bol) 1:05.72; 5, A Kleptou (Gr) 1:05.94; 7, Gerv (Bol) 1:05.72; 5, A Kleptou (Gr) 1:05.94; 7, Gerv (Bol) 1:05.81; 8, Test Shu-Min (Talwan); 1:11.44 Heat three: 7, N Savenson (Aus) 1:02.50; 2, Yan Chen (Ching) 1:02.82; 3, A Y Jeachstrafte (Ger) 1:02.68; 4, N Jenson-Victor (Mas) 1:02.94; 5, H Ricardo (Fr) 1:04.03; 6, E Pinera (Sp) 1:04.17; 7, Heis 1:06.38, Heat hour; 1, M Kifel (SA) 1:02.33; 2, M Nelson (Jenn) 1:02.90; 4, O Kochnetove (Rus) 1:03.78; 7, A Kohkisto (Fin) 1:05.25; 8, D Kompowner (Po) 1:05.70; 4, M Jeochem (Den) 1:05.25; 8, D Kompowner (Po) 1:05.70; 4, M Jeochem (Den) 1:05.26; 8, D Kompowner (Po) 1:05.70; 4, M Jeochem (Den) 1:05.14; 5, J Howard (Cen) 1:03.84; 8, 6. Coverton (Aus) 1:03.85; 7, H Statter (GS) 1:03.86; 8, M Samios (Por) 1:04.84.

Women's 4 x 100m f style relay Women's 100m backstroke

Women's 4 x 100m f'style relay HEATS (Izstest eight quality for Brait): Heat one: 1, Russia 3mm 47.33ec; 2, Austrelia 347.94; 3, Greet Britain 3:49.26; 4, France 348.30; 5, Fraind 3:50.37; 6, South Kores 3:57.63, Heat two: 1, United States 3:42.36; 2, Holland 3:48.60; 3, Swatein 3:45.39; 4, Romania 3:48.43, 5, Jepan 3:48.77; 6, Switzestand 3:53.30. Heat three: 1, China 3:45.06; 2, Garmany 3:44.17; 8, Caracta 3:45.96; 4, Denmark: 3:48.93; 5, Spain 3:49.47; 6, Belorussia 3:50.22; 7, Taiwan 3:56.39.

Water polo Preliminary round

POOL A: Russia 10 Germany 8.



TODAY AT THE GAMES

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BASEBALL: Round-robin: Cuba v Holland (15.00); South Korea v Nicaragua (20.00); Japan v Australia

BASKETBALL: Women's preliminary round: Pool A: Chine v Japan (15.00): Canada v Italy (17.00), Russia v Brazii (01.00). Pool B: Ukrame v United States (20.00): Australia v Zaire (22.00); Cuba v South Korea (03.00). BEACH VOLLEYBALL: Men's and women's round-robin (14.00 and 19.00)

BOXING: First round (light-middleweight, flyweight and super-heavyweight: 18.30 and 01 00). EQUESTRIANISM: Three-day event Team endurance (12.00); individual dressage (first day, 20.00).

FENCING: Men's team epèe, preliminaries (15.00) and

FENCING: Men's team epee, preliminaries (15.00) and final stages (19 55).

FOOTBALL: Men's preliminary round: Pool C: South Korea v Mexico (01.00); Ghana v Italy (02 00). Pool D: Brazil v Hungary, Japan v Nigena (01.30). Women's preliminary round: Pool A: United States v Sweden, Denmark v China (23 00). Pool B: Brazil v Japan (22.30); Norway v Germany (23.30). GYMNASTICS: Women's team optionals (14 30, 20.00 and 22.00 - final session)

HOCKEY: Men's preliminary round: Pool B: Holland v Great Britain (14.00). Malaysia v South Africa (22.30); Australia v South Korea (01.00). Women's round-robin: Australia v Germany (14.00); Spain v Argentina (16.00); Holland v South Korea (22.30); United States v Great Britain (01.00). JUDO: Men's under 78kg and women's under 61kg, preliminaries (14.30) and finals (20.00)

ROWING: Men: Repechages: Coxless pairs (14.00); double sculls (14.40); coxless fours (15.20), single sculls (16.00). Women: Repechages: Coxless pairs (14.30); double sculls (15.10); single sculls (15.30) SHOOTING: Men: Free pistol, preliminaries (14.00) and final (17.00) Women: Double trap, preliminaries (14.00) and final (10.30).

(14 00) and final (19.30). Talwan v Canada (14.00); Talwan v Canada (14.00); Talwan v Holfand (16.30), Japan v United States (23.30); Australia v Puerto Rico (02.00) SWIMMING: Heats at 15.05 for evening finals. Finals: Men: 400m freestyle (00.33), 100m backstroke (01.19); 4 x 100m freestyle relay (01.59), Women: 200m breaststroke (00.57), 100m butterfly (01.39). TABLE TENNIS: Men's and women's doubles murch.

TABLE TENNIS: Men's and women's doubles, round-TENNIS: Men's and women's singles, first round

VOLLEYBALL: Men's preliminary round: Pool A: Brazil v Bulgaria (17.30); Argentina v United States (21.00); Cuba v Poland (03.00) Pool B: Russia v Holland (15.00); Italy v Turnsia (23.30); Yugostavia v South Korea (00.30).

WATER POLO: Preliminary round: Pool A: Yugostavia v Germany (16.00); Holland v Russia (17.40); Spain v Hungary (21.40). Pool B: Italy v Greece (20.00); Ukraine v Croatia (23.20); United States v Romania (43.00) $(03\ 00)$.

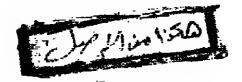
WEIGHTLIFTING: Under 70kg: Group B (17 30) and group A (final; 21.00). WRESTLING: Greco-Roman: Under 52kg, under 62kg, under 74kg, under 90kg and under 130kg classification (15.00) and finals (20.30) YACHTING: Two races to be sailed in each classmen's and women's Mistral, men's Firm, women's Europe, Laser, Star, Soling, Tomado (18.00).

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Rivals strike back at American baseball empire

mperialism is one of the rummest things in global history. Let us define the term in the loosest possible way: people from one place going to live in somebody else's place. Now go through this newspaper. More than half the tales of trouble have their historical basis in imperialism.

Restlessness, greed, ambition: lear, torment and suffering: commercial ambition, religious belief, dreams of global conquest. For a thousand reasons, people leave the place where their ancestors have lived for generations and take

up life in a different place.

Guns, crucifixes, bibles, money. And then, of course. someone gets out a bat and ball and says: Well, now we're all here, how about a game?" So there I was in the middle of Atlanta to watch the

baseball. The Atlanta Braves are not around - they have set off on a three-week trip to keep clear of the Olympic Games, Instead, Atlanta Fulton County Stadium was filled with a wild battle between Cuba and Japan. Bottom of the tenth, and could Masao Marinaka hold the lead against the mighty Miguel Caldes?

Odd business, Baseball is quintessentially, archetypally American. When other na-tions play baseball, they become wannabee Americans, or so it seems. That is true for the Cubans. Their squad has been weakened by two defec-tions this year. Livin Hernandez went to the Florida Marlins, where he is struggling somewhat, and Dsvaldo Fernandez is with the San Francisco Giants and

everyone knows that a strong arm and 90mph fast-ball are all you need to be an instant millionaire. As I watched Cuba take on Japan, the press hox had more scouts from the Major League teams than it had journos.

I sat next to the chap from Milwaukee Brewers, a laconic. needle-eyed reader of the game: "Like that big of pitch-er." Pedro Luzo hit the first two batters who faced him, then gathered a little more control — or perhaps he already had it — and fired a series of scorehing fast-balls. A game: an audition for the

It is always the pitchers they want. That is the key to it all, as fast bowlers are at cricket, The Dominican Republic has a conveyer belt of short stops to the major leagues, which is

SIMON BARNES



Atlanta sketch

all terribly nice, but what is that compared with a longlimbed giant who can throw some real heat?

I have watched British

baseball, which is full of people chewing gum and saying "gimme a line drive" and "right in the mitt there. this guy's a looker", and it all seems an elaborate tribute to the mother country.

Japan learnt baseball from the US Navy. It now has a professional league and standards are reckoned to be just a notch below the majors. But Hideo Nomo made the transition and was the sensation of last season. The team here is of a different calibre - students and amateurs. You wonder about sycophancy to the United States, and then you look at Kosuke Fukudome. Beneath his plastic helmet, the face of a samurai warrior, standing like a Kurosawa hero, his bat a two-handed sword. The game fits the tradition YETY

it is in the process of becoming something else. Why not Cricket began as the meadow game with the curious name, and perhaps it is still true that the throwing of a cricket half is some kind of reference to England. But the game be-

came the concern of Indian princes, the intransigent Pathan and the ancestors of slaves. In doing so it changed, and forever. Englishmen no longer rule the game, not as administrators, not as players. All things must pass. When, one wonders, will it happen to baseball? To the United States of America?

American baseball jingoists vill complain about the fastball pitchers of Cuba who blast their beleaguered batters to bits, whinge bitterly about the sinister Asian ball-tamper-ers from Japan. Give us back baseball will say it is no longer an American game; it is no longer an American

Pah! It could never happen. The US is the mightiest nation the earth has ever seen. True. but what happened to the second mightiest, the one that gave cricket to the world?

Baseball is one of the world's many great games. Japan went ahead 7-6 at the top of the tenth, but Cuba rallied. Omar Linares drove in the tieing run and scored the winning run on a hit from the mighty Caldes, and so Cuba won 8-7. A fine night of sport. Baseball is just a little bit less American than it was before these Games began. Baseball is becoming just another part of the Esperanto of global sport. A proud place to be: ask a cricketer.

Beached Britons planning to spring a surprise

FROM EDWARD GORMAN IN SAVANNAH

ON THE eve of their first race yesterday, Glyn Charles and George Skuodas, Great Britain's team in the Star class. were angered by the incompe-tence of a launch driver who contrived to tow their yacht on to the beach, while helping

them back to the marina. The incident, after vicious squalls swept the racing area at the end of practice on Sunday, also upset the Britain coaches, as the keelboat was grounded for several minutes, banging with the waves before it was freed. Charles was given permission to haul it out at the day-marina and was relieved to find no obvious

damage.
Though Charles and Skuodas are not fancied for medals, they could prove the surprise package. They have only been sailing together since last spring and are relatively inexperienced compared to some of the ten-year veterans in a class in which the Americans — had they been allowed three entrants could probably take gold, silver and bronze.

The pair are capable of winning a medal if the breeze blows above 15 knots. They have had problems in any-



Smith and Chris Mason in the trials, but then just scraped through the European qualifier for the Games at Garda, is realistic about the task ahead. We're still relative outsiders because we haven't got a big Star c v. We've had good speed above 15 knots but we're worried about the light

The pair have benefited from training with David-Howlett on Hayling Bay before they set out for Savannah and have been working in the. run-up to the competition withlan Brown, the Australian coach. It will be a tight fleet with nothing to choose tween the leading 15. "At a regatta like this, speeds become very similar. It will be

close." Charles said. Among the top contenders will be the American crew of Mark Reynolds and Hall Haenel, who won the gold in Barceiona and silver in Seoul in Stars; the Italians, Enrico Chieffi and Roberto Sinibaldi. who were world champions in the class last year, and Jose Luis Doreste, of Spain, who was the Finn gold medal winner in 1988 and sails with Javier Hermida.

McIntyre, who also loves fresh conditions, is hoping for Charles and Skuodas to the front. "They're learning, if the breeze is up above about 12 knots, i'd expect them to be right up in there, fighting in

the top group," he said. Ben Ainsile, of Britain, the talented young Laser sailor, is showing the kind of application which makes him so deadly. Ainsile, who finished his preparation for the Games with a convincing win at the European championships at months in Savannah getting used to the heat, humidity and

Giles steps · up to fire Thompson's ambitions

FROM ANDREW LONGMORE IN ATLANTA

THERE is one man in Atlanta who could win British hockey a medal and he is not even in the team. Rob Thompson had to walk out of the back door of the team's headquarters in the Olympic village at the very moment his team-mates were walking in the front. He was escorted to a car by Dave Whittle, the team manager, and taken to a hotel in downtown Atlanta, his Games ended before they had begun through an ankle injury.

I wasn't going to let him

endure the agony of taking his suitcases out the front door just as the rest of the team were bringing theirs in. "Whittle said. Thompson's wife, Sara, had just arrived to watch

the Games. But if the tall, sturdy, figure



has left the British camp, his words have stayed with the team every minute of every day. While addressing the team meeting. Thompson said: "Listen, I came here to win a gold medal. I can't win one, but you can. So go and do

You can bet that when the Cireat Britain team clustered round their captain, Jason Laslett, moments before the start of their first match. against Korea, Thompson was uppermost in their minds and that when the Koreans equalised in the dying minutes to force a 2-2 draw, much of their disappointment was reserved for their former vice-captain. At least they had a chance to play. "He is a big man and



he's shown he has a big heart," Whittle said. "A lot of people would have gone into a crumpled heap. He didn't. The next day he talked to the team. He did my job for me. I didn't have to say anything to them. We have a lot to thank Rob

Without Thompson, Britain's leading scorer in open play, the onus of getting goals has fallen even more heavily than ever onto the shoulders of Calum Giles, the short-corner specialist.

To add to the pressures on the Havant forward, as he ran out to take the first of Britain's three short corners against Korea, was the knowledge that his limited role in the team — on and off in the space of two minutes - probably cost Thompson his place in the Olympic Games, Thompson might have recovered in time for the third game, but with Giles and the reserve goalkeeper, David Luckes, permanently on the bench, the British team could not afford to have just 12 fit outfield players in the stifling heat of Atlanta, Jason Lee, of Old Loughtonians, was called up as a replacement.

Giles began the pay-back with two goals, one in each half, both programmed to perfection. He already knew where he would put his first shot — high to the goalkeeper's right — but up in the stand, James Duthie, a bronze medal-winger in Los Angeles and assistant coach, had recorded Korea's short corner defence and noted that the goalkeeper moved too far and too early. He radioed down to Jon Copp, the head coach, on the bench that Giles should go

low and right next time. Midway through the second half, on the second of two successive short corners, Giles followed the advice to the letter to put Britain 2-1 ahead, his



Giles converts a short corner for his second goal to put Great Britain ahead in their opening match against Korea. Photograph: Richard Pelham

37th goal in 56 games. He has only flashes of brilliance or flashes of mediocrity; there is nothing in between and it takes a special psyche to cope with that pressure.

"You've got to have a superego to do what he does," Laslett said. "You've got to go out thinking 'I'm going to score here'. He does that." Giles's concentration span is in a world of his own. It's a toire of flicks and deceptions.

notoriously short; an American-sized three minutes is about his limit. He can win games and have seconds to spare. "On the bench, he'll be away to the woods, arguing with the umpires, jumping up and down, shouting." Whittle said. "But when the short corner is called, whoomp, the shutter comes down and he's

phenomenal skill and I've not come across anyone else who could do it as well as he does." rationalised his run-on, run-

Giles, himself, has off part as simply another role in the 16-man squad. They have 15 different roles. I have the 16th," he said. Yesterday morning, he was out once more, sharpening his reper-

Britain have about five or six regular short-corner routines. but Giles has developed many more variations. "He can win a match for us sitting on the bench," Whittle added. "Other teams are so scared of giving away short corners, they give our forwards more space.

Only a defensive error cost Britain a precious victory over Korea in a desperately tight

ty. It was of only limited comfort to the team that the 1988 Olympic side began with a 2-2 draw with Korea on their

group. With just three minutes

on the clock. Julian Halls was

caught in possession and,

after blocking the first shot,

Simon Mason, the goalkeeper, brought down Shin-Heum

Park for the equalising penal-

Tenacious performance gives Britain hope

Holland

FROM SYDNEY FRISKIN

GREAT Britain's women fought a fierce battle for survival against Holland here on Sunday night. A I-I draw has left them with a glimmer of hope in the Olympic round-robin series. A month ago, at Milton Keynes, Holland hung on to an early lead to beat Britain 1-0 and seemed likely to repeat the treatment, but a spirited revival by the Britain team changed the tone of the

Exchanges were fairly even in the early minutes with neither side making a proper breakthrough until the eleventh minute, when Holland were rewarded with a short corner for obstruction inside the circle by Pauline Robertson. The initial hit was saved by Hilary Rose but Jeanette Lewin nipped

in to score on the rebound. The Dutch tried hard to consolidate their position but failed to do so, with Karen Brown and Jill Atkins breaking up a number of raids along the flanks. Holland also suffered when one of their best forwards, Noor Holsbauer, was suspended for a dangerous tackle in the 29th minute. But Britain failed to exploit the situation.

The picture changed after the inter-val with Britain forcing the pace, led by Tammy Miller, and putting pressure on the Dutch defence. Holland, however, continued to launch their raids along the flanks but their cross-passes were well intercepted by Britain's defenders. Holland's persistence, though, called on Rose to save shots from Myntje Donners and Dillianne

Boogaard. Precious minutes were ticking away with Britain making little headway. The break came in the 41st minute, when the Dutch conceded a short corner. There followed a fierce tussle in front of goal, where Lewin, the Hol-land defender, was penalised for obstruction to concede a penalty stroke, which was well converted by Christine Cook, a substitute.

The Dutch went in immediate search of the winning goal and began to pose a serious threat, only to flounder inside the circle. In the closing minutes,

Britain survived two short corners, from which the Dutch tried desperately to score.

Yesterday morning, Australia con-

solidated their position at the top of the LEDIC by deleating Argentina 7-1.

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☐ in the men's tournament yesterday, Spain caused a surprise by defeating Pakistan 3-0 for their second victory in pool A. Spain, who had earlier beaten Germany, the champions, led 2-0 at half-time with goals from short corners

Why I want to make the party last

trained for the past 12 vears with the aim of making an Olympic team. This year I have been working especially hard, taking a year between school and university and increasing the amount of training I was doing. I thought I had a realistic chance of making the British team for Allanta.

1 was training up to 22 hours a week, including pool and gym work. That meant getting out of bed at 5am five mornings a week to arrive at the pool by 5.45. The only compensation was the thought that it would give me a better chance of getting to the Games (oh. all right, the haked beans on toast at the café across the road was a pretty good incentive, too).

Getting up early wasn't the only sacrifice. Not staying out late and drinking, and getting the right sleep and eating the right food are also vital requerments for swimmers.

Men, on February 5, just six weeks before the Olympic trials. I was driving to training when I saw another car approaching. The next thing I knew, I was in an ambulance. Both my legs were broken even if, in the middle of a

ALEX BENNETT



Olympic diary

and, by the time the drugs wore off, it was clear I wasn't going to the Olympics. I wasn't even going to the trials.

So why do we stick at it, when there is no guarantee of success? Many people ask why we stick at it, and I have heard some strange answers to that question. Mark Warnecke, of Germany, recently said he swam "because I get to be naked." I think most swimmers would say it was because they enjoy it, gruelling endurance test, they might sometimes wonder whether it is all worth it.

At any level, swimming is a sociable sport, and, from my experience, practically all swimmers seem to be very lively people with great personalities. It is no secret, either, that swimmers enjoy partying. We have a bit of a reputation. An Australian swimming friend of mine, Elli Overton, summed up our attitude best. When asked what she was looking forward to in Atlanta, she said: "To swimming well and then getting the party under way." My accident has put a

temporary stop to my swimming, and I am missing an awful lot but I don't feel that all the hard work and dedication were wasted. My swimming has allowed me to travel all over the world. I have made many good friends from a range of countries, and yes, I've done some great partying. Of course, winning is a big element of being a sports person, too, and it is a great feeling to compete for

your country. The hard work also paid off at the time of my accident. Being a fit and healthy athlete

meant my body was able to cope with the continuous tenhour surgery that was necessary to fix my leg. I think my athleticism also allowed me to heal more quickly, and having the goal of returning to the pool is giving me the determination to work harder at getting back to normal again. There are many reasons

why I want to return to swimming for Great Britain, and why my target is now Sydney in 2000. Speaking to people, watching the competition in the pool, and seeing what I'm missing have made that target more definite. I have talked to friends about the village atmosphere, the gossip and of how they are meeting people from other sports and countries.

They have given me a glimpse of their team spirit and I just wish I was still a part of that. Seeing the smile of my friend, Danyon Loader, of New Zealand, as she won gold in the 200 metres freestyle on Saturday night, reminded me about winning. 1 shall have to wait and see how my bones heal, but being here in Atlanta has made me realise how much I want to

By lam, it was becoming an exquisite form of television torture. Every 15 minutes or so, some body would creep up and play the same 90-second extract of classical music, over and over

again. And, every 60 minutes, a commentator would pop up to explain why. "The music you can hear playing in the background," Barry Davies, on the BBC, explained, "is Die Fledermaus, by Johann Strauss, It's the music that accompanies

the compulsory floor exercises for the women's team event." An hour or so later it was Nick Fellows's turn to welcome us to the Georgia Dome on Eurosport: "You might be wondering about the music you can hear. Well, it's the music that the gymnasts perform their floor routines to and it's called Die Fledermaus, by Johann Strauss." There was a short but significant pause. "By the end of this evening, we'll have heard it 110 times. We're getting quite used to it by now." It was night three of the Atlanta Olympics and it was comforting to know

that I was not suffering alone.

It was also a night of

discoveries. Did you know



MARATHON that Des Lynam does not last the distance? All that macho "we're game if you are" at the top of the show? Pure bluff. At

2am. Lynam calls it a night. "By the time you get back from the women's hockey, it'll be Steve Rider in the chair." And, by the time we got back (40 minutes and an equalising goal later), it was. Rider looked like a man who had not joined the BBC to do the 2.45-4.30am slot. "Des has gone off to hit downtown Atlanta," he said through clenched teeth, ... let me bring you up-todate with a few women's soccer results."

During a night dominated by hockey (on BBC) and

boxing (on Eurosport), the real excitement came from the swimming, both in and out of the pool. You rather get the impression that male medalwinners form an orderly queue to be interviewed at pool-side by Sharron Davies.

metres freestyle team had undergone the Davies treat-

different one. like, Sharron?"

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"Good lads." Lynam chuckled after the British 4x200

ment, "all talking to Sharron there ... and all enjoying the experience. I would think." Whether Lynam is enjoying talking to Davies is another matter. As somebody once said, they are both fluent but not yet in the same language. Basically, Lynam asks a ques-

tion and Davies answers a "What are pool conditions

"Poor conditions, Des? No, I wouldn't describe them as poor. A bit warm, perhaps." Lynam is far too polite to say anything. He raises a knowing eyebrow, flashes a conspiratorial smile and goes off to hit downtown Atlanta. We shall be watching carefully for signs of it hitting back.

Back in the Atlanta Dome ... Die Fledermaus was still playing (98, 99 ...) and the a cartwheel coming on.

Cue for a little too much night music commentary teams were add dressing the sensitive issue of size. On the BBC, Davies had come to the not unreasonable conclusion that anyone under five foot can safely be described as "a little girl" Above that and they are "ladies". On Eurosport, however, Fellows favours a more dynamic, less pejorative approach. They are "gymnasts", or they are "competitors", and; now and again, in the heat of a beam exercise, they are "great little competitors".

It was Monica Phelps: Fellows's co-commentator onthe satellite channel, who grabbed the issue by its asymmetric bars. "Now look, all you journalists out there," she said sternly, "it's far from the pre-pubescent sport you're making it out to be."

As long as the likes of Svetlana Boginskaya (who by virtue of being 23 and definitely grown up has earned the undying gratitude of confused male commentators everywhere) were around, there could be no doubt, she said. "So don't forget, it's a women's sport." With that it was back to Die Fledermaus (108, 109 ... finished!). It was 2am but I felt

Stars and Stripes flies over Lytham

BY JOHN HOPEINS GOLF CORRESPONDENT

AS NO Open at Lytham had been won by an American professional before Tom Lehman's victory on Sunday, it would not have been inappropriate if the Stars and Stripes had been hoisted over the clubhouse in tribute to an impressive performance by men from the United States.

Lehman led home a solid phalanx of his countrymen. who appeared hell-bent on ending the unusual statistic that Bobby Jones, the ama-teur, was the only American to have won at Lytham (in 1926). There were five in the top ten and eight among the top 21. Jeff Maggert had the lowest round of the last day, a 65, just for good measure. The new Open champion is

a nice man. It is not just the look in his eyes and the smile on his face in the photograph of him cradling the trophy that suggests that. The good things life have come late to

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Jones and John Carmichael,

Young returns

Rugby union: David Young, the Wales rugby league captain, has been of-

fered a £30,000 international

squad contract by the Welsh

Rughy Union. Young, capped at union by both Wales and

Cardiff until the Super League

season finishes on September

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negotiations with Richmond.

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home unions at Cardiff today

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strained, the more admirable for that, Lehman's actions speak louder than his words. This was first noticeable at the Ryder Cup last year, when he was gracious after a difficult singles against Severiano Ballesteros, and again at the US Open last month. Lehman was paired with

Steve Jones in the last group of the day and encouraged Jones several times during the fourth round, though it was not in his interests to do so. Jones duly won. Then, on Sunday evening Lehman made a point of being gracious and accommodating to all who wanted his photograph, before going out of his way to say thank you and goodbye to people in the clubhouse. He flew home from Manchester airport after breakfast vesterday morning.

Lehman's performance overshadowed Nick Faldo, but it says something about Faido's stature in the game

Lehman and he seems all the that a final round of 70, one under par, and his fourth-place finish can be considered a disappointment. It was not a disappointment to compare Colin Montgomerie missing the cut for the second consecutive year. Faldo's aver-

> Tom Lehman's Open Championship victory at Royal Lytham and St Annes has moved the American golfer up into the world's top ten. Lehman shot up six places to No 7 in the Sony world rankings after winni

age finishing position in the three major championships this year has been seventh. Ernie Els's challenge petered out in a way you do not expect from the player ranked third in the world. Much the same could be said for Fred Couples, who got to within two strokes of Lehman only to fall away with some

his first major title.

spectacularly sloppy golf. Truly, these two will remember the words of Greg Norman, who said: "one shot and it's an easy game, the rest it's the hardest in the world." On Friday night, when he was the joint leader, Lehman

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szid: "I can't pay attention to anyone. If I thought about all the guys who were tied with me or behind me when I was playing well. I probably wouldn't be able to take the club back. I have a lot of respect for a lot of players, but sometimes, if you look at the leaderboard and see all the names there, you tend to lose On Saturday, after opening

a six-stroke lead, Lehman said: "They don't give a trophy for three rounds. I feel that temorrow is a good chance for me to put right all the things I've learnt over the past few years in major champion-ships, about being patient, being committed, being confident and just going out and doing it."

On Sunday, he did just that, winning the Open at only his third attempt. One cannot emphasise how quickly he has progressed in the past five or six years. "Up to about 1992 I could not afford to come over here and try to qualify," Lehman said, "Money was pretty tight. We never got around to being flat broke but we never felt comfortable about going out and splurging

Lehman's last round was worthy of the man. It was not spectacular, like Johnnie Miller's 63 at the 1973 US

eight years ago or Greg Norman's 64 at Royal St George's in 1993. He won it by demonstrating the very virtues on the course that he has off it. He was dogged and steady, keeping his head while five men had a run at him. If you can tell a book by its cover, you can tell Tom Lehman by his

"It may not be pretty, but it works," Lehman said. "If you have a swing that will repeat and hold up, you start to believe in it. If you hit a couple of good shots and hole a couple of putts, you start to believe in yourself. Then you get to the point where there is no one who can beat you. Then you get close in major championships and get more

That is how it has been with him — a climb to a position of universal respect as one of the best in the world. Lehman will be around for a long time yet. He is not a shooting star. Anything but.

years. Their challenge did not last long. Watched by a sparse

crowd more concerned with

the quality of the sandwiches than the quality of the ground strokes, they were overpow-

ered by the time the clingfilm

had been peeled off the last

pork pie. For Helen Crook, of Essex, it

was another good day at the

office. Partnered by Amanda

Janes, daughter of the former Wimbledon finalist, Christine

Janes, she won all three of her

matches, dropping only one set. But then that is nothing

new for Crook. No one has

managed to beat her in this

competition in the last three

been beaten - twice - but

they remain unbowed. They

will be back for more today.

One of their number, Mark

Wales, has been a glutton for

such punishment for the last

nine years. It matters not that

he lives in New Orleans. Come

the end of July, he stumps up

the air fare home and trades in all of his annual leave to come

back in Eastbourne and do his

It was not the best of starts

to his vacation, however.

Teaming up with Mark Rob-ins, they lost their first two

matches in the twinkling of an eye. Still, there is always tomorrow and the hope of better things. County Week is

bit for his county.

that sort of event.

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HUGH ROUTLEDGE

The book that is ever open

The Hesh Made Word. Radio 3, 8.25pm.

P. D. James's is the first of five talks by eminent writers — the second, tomorrow night, is A. N. Wilson — about the verbalisation of religion. The Book of Common Prayer was a cornerstone of James's early years. She cherishes it still as "an incomparable liturgy, providing cadences of immense beauty and power", written in "language of such nobility and grace that it has some claim to be worthy of the God it worships". She pours scom on present-day revisionists and their "fashionable silliness". Wilfully to throw away the whole liturgy because parts of it are deemed irrelevant is, in her view, "an act of religious and cultural vandalism".

The Olympic Games. Radio 5 Live, various times.

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You will have noticed — how could you possibly not have? — that Radio 5 Live is carrying the bulk of BBC Radio's coverage of the Olympics. Right from the start, in March 1994, the network has been confounding those Jeremiahs who predicted that the mix of sport and news would not be sufficient to keep it going, to the satisfaction of both sports gourmands and those who prefer a non-sporting diet. During the run of the Olympics, Radio 5 Live will be in its element. Plenty of airtime (I estimate half of the day's schedules); plenty of experts to call upon, plenty of familiar voices that are good at painting pictures. I recommend that you try Inverdale's Olympics (2pm and i1.05pm) and Atlanta Live (I.45pm).

Peter Davalle

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(minor) 9.50 My Tocher's the Jewel. The songs of Robert Burns (2/5) 10.15 Busoni Plays Liszt. Ferruccio Busini, piano, Liszi (Polonaise No 2 in E: Higoletto Paraphrase; La Campanella, Eludes d'execution transcendante d'apres Paganini); Schuberl, transcr Liezi (Hungarian

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11.30 Composer Of the Week: Haydin (r) 12.30ma Jazz Notes, with Digby Fairweather
1.00 Through the Night, with Donald Macked

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7.20 Ries on 4, with Roisin
McAuley
8.00 Science Now. Alun Lews
reviews the newly returbished
Farth Collaries at the Natural
History Museum in London (r)
8.30 In Living Colour, in the last
programme in the series,
Trevor Philips asks wether
racism can be eradicated by
legislation, With Lord Lester,

special country of the series, and Parties J. Williams

9.00 in Touch. Peter White with the series, valve and information for visually impaired people

9.30 Kaleidoscope(r) 9.59

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Weather 10.00 The World Tonight, with

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Cream of Devon rise right to the top

Five weeks ago, Devon-shire Park was awash with big crowds, big names and big money. The Alix Ramsay samples the delights of County Week as more

the British Isles, has joined Cardiff from Salford for E65,000 but cannot play for silence on centre court was broken only by the sound of colleague, Allan Baternan, could also be returning to union. He is involved in Monica Seles grunting her way to her first grass-court title. Surrounded by security guards in ill-fitting suits, the type of chap who wears sunglasses indoors and talks furtively into his lapel microphone, she packed the stadium with the star-struck masses before banking the cheque and heading for Wimbledon.

Squash: The influence of Yesterday, it was all a bit the Australian, Chris Robertdifferent, as the loist County son, on Welsh squash is Week creaked into life. The top beginning to bear fruit in six counties in the men's and women's championships em-Cairo. The first junior squad he has prepared since taking barked on the doubles roundover as the national coach, robin format, fielding teams of scored a second qualifying names that only those with victory yesterday. 2-1 over long memories or a deep love New Zealand, Wales are tryof the grass roots of the game final place from pool D in the

No matter, County Week has a special place in the hearts of all who compete -

than 700 players make the annual pilgrimage to Eastbourne

and there are many, more than 700 of them. While Eastbourne hosts the top division, the other 38 counties compete at a further 12 venues around the country, hoping for promotion through the ranks from the depths of group seven up to the dizzy heights of the Devonshire

Rising through the ranks is terday, they established a win-

a distinct possibility. Devon, the men's champions, were lurking in group seven just nine years ago. They made their way through the ranks, gaining promotion every year until they made it to the top of the heap in 1993. The next year, they became champions and are now trying for their third consecutive victory. Yes-

before tea, Tom Hand and Peter Russell beating Julian Foxon and Chris Harwood 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 to claim the allimportant fifth win in the bestof-nine rubber match.

Leicestershire were not having the best of days. Their women's team were facing Essex, the champions and winners for the last three

Chang victory boosts ranking No 4 seed, from South Africa.

MICHAEL CHANG, of the United States, moved to a No 3 world ranking, the highest of his career, after winning the Legg Mason Tennis Classic in Washington on Sunday, with a 6-2, 6-4 victory over Wayne Ferreira, of South Africa. The title was the 25th of Chang's career and his second this year, following a win at Indian

Wells, California, in March. He will overtake Boris Becker and Andre Agassi in the rankings, trailing only to Pete Sampras, the No 1, and Thomas Muster. Because of rain on Thurs-

day and Friday, Chang played both his quarter-final and semi-final on Saturday. "After the first set, I started to feel a little tired," he said. "I think playing all those matches in the last few days may have started catching up with me. I'm glad I pulled it out at the end because Wayne was just getting better and better."

Chang, the tournament's No 2 seed, broke Ferreira in the tenth game of the second set and capitalised on his third match point. Ferreira, the has lost all four matches against Chang. Ferreira broke in the third

game of the match to lead 2-1. But Chang fought off three aces in the next game to break back, triggering a run of seven consecutive games. The South African regained his composure by breaking in the third game to move to 2-1, and the set remained with service until Chang's break in the final game. "When I don't serve well, I struggle," Ferreira, who succeeded with less than balf of his first serves, said.

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CHAMOTTE

Humour and heroism away from Atlanta

isclaimer: although every effort has been made to avoid references to the Olympic Games, readers will be aware of the enormous brainwashing operation undertaken by Birt and Associates, the chief British apologists for the absurd Olympic movement. Therefore the author cannot guarantee a complete absence of sporting metaphors and overworked superla-tives and wishes to apologice for any distress that may be caused.

There is one advantage in having to use a microscope on the television listings in order to find a programme that does not involve anyone called Lynam. As with panning for gold in overworked river beds, the more effort one puts in the more pleasure is to be gained from finding a real gem. It almost happened last night.

I did not approach Double Exposure (BBC2) with any great hope. I am all for new relevision

writers receiving encouragement, so long as I do not have to sit in front of the set while they practise. Therefore a season of plays by writers new to the screen should be greeted with low expectations.

Shame on me. Tim Loune's Our of the Deep Pan was a splendid piece of work, transmitted at 11.15pm in order to accommodate . . . (complete the sentence in not more than three words. Clue: individual foil). The publicity material described Leane's play as a "Ziny comedy caper", one of the deadliest compartments known to drama. Happily, it survived, and defied, the pigeon-holing.
The story of Derek (Conleth

Hill), who falls in love with Allison (Maria Connolly), with whom he sets up a pizza delivery service, way told with a nice sense of rhythm and contained topical wit of a high order. I expect that being born with a sense of humour in Belfast is a precious gift and

Loone, whose piece was among live to win through among 3,000 submitted for a BBC competition. clearly has humour in spedes.

Perhaps the finest moment was when Derek delivered a pizza to what turned out to be a detelict building and was ambushed by three Roman Catholics. They accused him of Orange sympathies and demanded that he sing two Nationalist songs. This he did. but was beaten up anyway for not knowing a Cat Sevens tune. Out of the Deep Pan ran to less

than 45 minutes. In narrative terms, it did not so much take us from point A to point B as make the journey enjoyable, whatever its destination. Short drama is out of fashion on television, perhaps because it costs so much that longer works bring economics of scale. Last year the BBC launched a sit-come called Nen of Kin, in which a couple were obliged to REVIEW |



Peter Barnard

bring up their grandchildren after the parents had died in a car crash. Lasi night the serious reality of such a situation was movingly conveyed in The Day That Changed My Life (BBC2).

Jill Morrison and her second. husband, Peter, were left to bring up three boys after Jill's daughter, Alison, was murdered by Alison's husband in September 1988. The boys are now aged 14, 12 and ten and they are quite clearly a credit both to their late mother and their new "parents".

Every generation of porents believes it will not make the mistakes of the previous one and every generation either makes the same mistakes, or over-compensates to the point where they cause a whole different set of problems. Yet the buys - Ben, Peter and

Thom - have emerged from tragedy into an environment which is clearly tailor-made for them. Their guardians have made the switch from grandparents to parents with admirable skill: "We couldn't treat them in the same way as doting grandparents because we were suddenly the ones who were doing the disciplining and having the day-to-day care," Jill said.

None of the boys shows any sign of the psychological disabilities which the loss of a mother in violent circumstances might be expected to bring. They are per-haps helped by being musical, for learning the violin and the piano impose disciplines and provide emotional outlets which such children need.

There is, however, a problem: at some point the boys' father will be released from prison. A judge has already refused an application from the father for access to the boys but each will have to wrestle with the ultimate in human dilemmas: the fact that, having loved two parents. they discovered on September 21, 1988, that one had killed the other.

Once again Jill proves to be a model of common sense: The decision for the boys to be in contact with their father will have to come from them when they're of an age to do so. They're not being influenced in any way by us. They know we don't want to see Michael [the father] again but we understand that one day they may want to see their father."

Finally, I refer you back to paragraph one at the risk of proving that you cannot believe a word journalists say. But really, what is one to make of Olympic Breakfast (BBCl) and Olympic Grandstand (BBCl) which are running back-to-back each morning from 7am to lunchtime?

What is the difference between these two programmes? When Olympic Breakfast ended yesterday morning, we were told to stay tuned for Olympic Grandstand, "a wider-ranging" look at the previous day's events (which had already been broadcast live during

the night).
I can just about see a case for BBCI giving over most of the evening to the Olympics. I can see no case whatsover for doing the same thing all morning. And that, I promise, is all I will have to say on the subject.

6.00em Business Breakfast (65120)

7.00 Olympic Breakfast. Sieve Rider and Hazel irvine introduce an in-depth review of the overnight action in Atlanta, including news of the 400m treasivle and 200m butterly swimming finals (35873) 9.00 News (Ceelax) (4860217)

9.05 Olympic Grandstand, Gary Lineker and Hazel Irvine introduce more of the overnight action in Atlanta (49265588) 12.35pm Neighbours. Adrian is laught a

lesson by Cody (Ceefax) (9635743) 1.00 News (Ceelax) and weather (39965) 1.30 Regional News and weather (12254743)

1.40 Otympic Grandstand, introduced by Sue Barker Britain's world champion three-day event team compete in the key cross-country stage this atternoon Swimming coverage includes European silver medallist Paul Palmer in the 400m heats and Commonwealth champion Martin Harris in the 100m backstroke heats. Britain's men's hockey team are in action against The Netherlands Plus news of gymnastics, shooting and tennis 1944708591

5.35 Neighbours

(r) (Čeetax) (s) (582743) 6.00 News and weather (Ceefax) (743)

6.30 Regional News magazines (323) 7.00 The Essential Olympics. Desmond Lynam introduces more action from Attanta where there is two boxing and a gold medal to be decided in judo Highlights of earlier events in the swimming pool including heats in the men's 400m and men's 100m backstroke The hockey competition contin-ues as Britain's men lace Holland and Britain's woman meet the USA (43830)

8.30 EastEnders. A difficult day for Pauline and Mark as Arthur's inquest begins (Cestax) (s) (8439)

9.00 News (Ceefax) regional news and weather (9149) 9.30 Out of Thie World, Carol Vorderman and Chris Choi

explore the paranormal (824526) 10.10 Olympic Grandstand, Live coverage rom Atlanta introduced by Desmond Lynam, 10,20 Gymnastics. The fourth day of action from Atlanta sees the first gold medal of the evening decided in the women's team gymnastics competition, 12.00 Boxing; 12.25am Swimming: including 12.31 Men's 400m freestyle; 12.49 Women's 200m breaststroke: 1.00 Hockey: Swimming: 1.13 Men's 100m backstroke; 1.35 Swimming: 1.35 Women's 100m butterity: 1.57 Men's 4x4 100m freestyle relay; 2.25 Yachting. Weightlifting: Three-Day Eventing: Boxing, Tennis, Volleyball: Besketball (64473410)

4.25 FILM: The Planter's Wife (b/w, 1952) with Claudette Colbect and Jack Hawkins. A British plantation owner in Malaya, whose marriage is on the rocks, tries to force his wife and son to return to England when native rebels go on the rampage. Her decision to stay to help her husband fight off the uprising leads to a night of terror which helps to determine their future together. Directed by ken Annakin (71050182)

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1.00 Olympic Grandstand. Early action from Alianta (s) (4707033)

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3.00 News and weather (9144762) 3,05 Westminster (Ceelax) (6031656) 3,55 News and weather (2682656)

4.00 Cartoon (7238594) 4.05 Peter Pan and the Pirates (r) (2691304) 4.30 Ocean Odyssey (120) 5.00 Newsround (Ceefax) (8515859)

5.10 The Lowdown (r) (Ceelex) (s) (7974014) 5.35 I'm Still a Tourist: Quarry Bank Mill (r)

5.45 Holiday Outings: Andelucia (36903)

5.55 FILM: Call of the Wild (1993). Jack London's classic tale of John Thornton who, with his trusty dog Buck, sets out to Join the Alaskan Gold Rush at the turn of the century. With Ricky Schroeder and Mia Sara. Directed by Michael Uno

7.30 Black Britain: A Carlibbean Education A teenage girl swaps her achool in west London for one in Barbados How will she cope with the strict discipline and wholeclass learning? Plus a piece on the tate Halle Selasale, the spiritual leader to Rastatarians (Ceetax) (s) (149)

Rastalarians (Ceeiax) (s) (149) B.00 Tracks. Nick Fisher tracks dinosau toctprata on the late Of Wight, one of the best places in Europe to find prehistoric

fossils (Ceefax) (s) (7946) 8.30 Olympic Grandstand. See Barker presents more action from the Atlanta Games, Judo, lending, boxing and tennis feature tonight (42785052)

10.10 The Car's the Star: The Ford Must (r) (Ceelax) (456236) 10.30 Newsnight (Cestax) (656472)



Lawyer Mark McGann (11.15pm)

11.15 Double Exposure: The Golden Collar, A dark comic and Dave Hill (Ceefax) (s) (520743) 11.55 Weatherview (443965)

12.00 The Midnight Hour with Lesley 12.30am-6.00 The Learning Zone

CHOICE

Channel 48_10pm

Oh dear, what can the matter be? Mum's gone back to work and Dad's stuck in the factory... According to the programme's statistics, one in three fathers work a 50hour-week and half of all mothers go back to work after their child is weaned. In the third of the series examining the changing roles of women, the industry that underpins the economy, that is, the family, comes under review. Who is going to look after the children? Who will do the vast amount of voluntary work for the community? What will happen to the traditional family? Susan Tully (once EastEnders' Michelle) trundles up and down the country to give us an accessible (and sometimes comical) view of the division of labour between today's mothers and fathers.

True Stories: Edge of Madness Channel 4, 9.00pm

Welcome to the terrifying world of the schizophrenic. In this exhaustive and exhausting documentary by Dianne Tammes and Maggie Ellis, four sufferers and their familiar domestic the consistency. and their families describe the excoriating effects of the disorder. Schizophrenia is a psychotic illness, characterised by delusions and hallucinations, that currently affects at least 250,000 people in Britain today. There is no typical sufferer and there are no is no typical sufferer and there are no warning signs. Two treatments are currently available to combat the illness. One is a chemical dampener, Clozapine, which although it has horrific side-effects, has allowed some patients the chance to lead a near-tolerable life. The other is family therapy, pioneered by Professor Julian Leff, in which clinical psychologists work within the family environment. As we follow the course of the lives of these four articulate people, the fear and ignorance that surrounds the illness is slowly stripped away.

"Out of this World" BBC1, 9_30pm

The X Files' popularity has a lot to answer for. In its wake comes this televisual version of The Fortean Times. Starting a six-week run is a series, hosted by Carol Vorderman and Chris Choi, exploring the mystery surrounding unexplained phenomena. The aim of the programme is "to make believers a little more sceptical and sceptics a little more open-minded." Being something of the latter I will be more than interested to see how the couple in south Wales justify their claim that their soaring electricity bills are the result of an evil presence. Among other items promised is an interactive experiment conducted by resident parapsychologist and sceptic Dr Richard Wiseman to test the power of positive thought in influencing good and bad tuck.

Double Exposure: The Golden Collar BBC2 11.15pm

The collar in question is the protective one put on victims of whiplash. It is golden because it can mean cash for false claimers and their lawyers. The season of new screenplays continues with this rough-round the edges drama, set in Liverpool and written by Earnonn Sexton, which shows how the personal injuries con is worked and the symbiotic relationship between bent lawyers and their strapped clients. Jack Tree lawyers and their strapped clients. Jack Tree (Mark McGarin) is a solicitor who believes that "law is never having to say you're honest." But the strain of his work is unpicking the fabric of his life. His partner is sick of his long working hours and excessive drinking, the Legal Aid inspectors are on to him and his boss (Kenneth Cope) is ready to feed him to the worker. feed him to the woives.

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10.36 FILM: A Green Journey (1990) with Angeta Lansbury, Denholm Elbott and Robert Prosty. A spinster's fantasies of romance with her penpal are shattened when she linally meets him Directed by Joseph Sargent (86934859)

12.20pm HTV News (2141491)

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5.40 News (Teletext) and weather (896174) 6.00 Home and Away (r) (Telelext) (588588) 6.25 HTV News (Teletext) (739101)



11.25 Go Getters (3704781) Halliwell and the stolen cow (7.00pm) 7.00 Emmerdale. Robert plots to rescue the Sugden cow before Zak has a chance to

turn it into burgers. With Steve Halliwell (Teletext) (8052) 7.30 Secrets of the Levels. Chris Chapman explores the customs, music and the influence of apples and cider (675)

8.00 The Bill. A doting parent arous Lordon's and Keene's suspicions when they arrest her for shoolifting (4472) 8.30 Police, Camera, Action (3507) 9.00 Grass Roots, Courtroom drama about a

lewyer who is forced to defend a young man in a controversial and potentially explosive murder trial. With Corbin

10.00 News (Teletext) and weather (82472) 10.30 HTV News (Teletext) (871304) 10.40 Grass Roots, Continuation of Part 1 of

11.25 Bodies of Evidence (r) (472507) 12.25 FILM: Donor (1990) with Melissa Gilbert-Brinkman and Jack Scalia. A doctor discovers that some of her colleagues are using the corpses of murdered patients and colleagues for experimentation.

Directed by Larry Shaw (s) (212182)

2.05 Late & Loud (s) (5757811) 3.10 The Chart Show (r) (s) (3228502) 4.05 Murder, She Wrote (r) (s) (2108298) 5.00 Special Report (r) (59908) 5.30 Morning News (75231)

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quack medicine salesman who is
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5.45 Terrytoons (305781) 6.00 The Avengers (r) (Teletext) (25675) 7.00 Channel 4 News (864656)

7.55 The Slot (14507) 8.00 Brookside. Katie finds out the truth from Sammy; Bev finds herself out of her depth when she takes Mike and Lindsay's story to the press; and a familiar face make Jimmy uncomiortable (Teletext) (a

Genderqueite. Susan Tully continues her investigation of the dramatic postwar change in the role of women and work (Teletext) (a) (1149)



Artist Miranda Ryder (9.00pm)

9.00 True Stories: Edge of Madness. Documentary by Dianne Tammes and Maggie Ellis about four people suffering from schizophrenia (Teletext) (s) (3588)

10.30 FILM: City of Hope (1991). John Sayles directs in this depiction of three days in the fictional city of Hudson, New Jersey, corruption and recism. With Angles Bassett and Tony Lo Bianco (58559830)

12.55em Watching the Detectives. The second of a five-part series on the real world of the private detective. Tonight's programme goes to Dallas, to meet the man who has been dubbed the real James Bond (8628144) 2.00 Burnt Out (r) (5406144)

2.50 FILM: Blonde Crazy (1931, b/w) starring James Cagney and Joan Blondell as a couple who are tricked out of \$5,000 and mount a Sting-like operation to exact their revenge With Ray Milland Directed by Roy Del Ruth (6844163). Ends at 4.10

For more comprehensive SKY MOVIES GOLD listings of satellite and cable channels, see the Vision supplement, published Saturday SKY ONE

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Cream of Devon rises to the top at County Week



TUESDAY JULY 23 1996

Questions over drug use tarnish Irish gold medal-winner's Olympic campaign

Smith passes final hurdle

FROM CRAIG LORD ATMALTA MI

THE row over the late entry into the 400 metres freestyle by Michelle Smith, the swimmer who became Ireland's first Olympic champion when she won the the 400 metres individual medley on Saturday, escalated yesterday despite the rejection of an American protest, backed by at least two other nations, by the Games' independent court of arbitration for sport here... Smith, from Rathcoole in Dublin, ignored the accusations flying about her and qualified in second place for the final of the 400 metres



hundredth of a second behind Germany's Kerstin Kielgass. Smith's time of 4min 08.00sec shaved a further 0.64sec off the national record she shattered by more than 14sec in Florida on July 7, two days after the closing date for entries to the Games.

Smith's late entry was rejected by Fina, the sport's international governing body, but an appeal to the Interna-(IOC) by Ireland earned Smith a place in the race and her qualification yesterday put Jaholds the 400 metres freestyle world record, out of the final.

Evans, who finished ninth.

Smith, the centre of Olympic controversy, powers her way into the final of the women's 400 metres freestyle in Atlanta yesterday

was asked about the speculation surrounding Smith's immense progress. Smith has turned from an average backto world-class medley, butterfly and now freestyle protagonist in her mid-twenties and in the three years since she started to be trained by the man who is now her husband,

Erik de Bruin, the Dutch her best. It is a tremendous drop [in times] and questionable — but possible." Smith said she was "very disappointed with the pro-tests and whispers. The Olympics should be about fair play and surely it's best to

> women's coach, was also disappointed that Fina had not defended more rigorously its sovereignty over entries in the swimming programme at the Games, but noted that the IOC had the final say in all matters. "If you didn't have parameters, the whole thing would be chaos," he said. Quick also acknowledged the questions surrounding Smith, but added: "It's conjecture. God help any athlete that

gramme and do things with

your mind to improve. We

also have to take the flip side.

four years in 1993 for steroid that an official document from the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games (Acog) sent out in March had said. "You can be a good stated that entries could be athlete and change your prochanged up until July 20, but

a correction to "every federa-tion in the world" soon after Maybe she has just reached with the correct deadline of July 5. Dermot Sherlock, of the trish Olympic Committee, said he was "very very con-cerned" that there should be suggestions that Smith had taken performance-enhancing

emphasised that Fina had sent

drugs. "You always feel in competing," she said, Richard Quick, the US

is perfect. But I think at this they [the United States], having lost twice on the rulethe concept of it to accusations of drug-taking."

Beyond the storm, Alexander Popov was on the brink of confirming himself as the greatest sprint freestyler the world has seen yesterday. The 24-year-old Russian qualified fastest for a final in which all eight swimmers went under 50sec - the first time that has happened in the sport. Five national records were

set by those bunched behind Russian, with Gary Hall Jr, the American, favourite to stop Popov. Success would make Popov the first man since Johnny "Tarzan" Weissmuller in 1924 to retain the 100 metres freestyle

His team-mate. Denis Pankratov, the world recordholder, was beaten in the heats of the 200 metres butterfly by Imm 58.16sec

Olympic title in any sport

the 100 metres backstroke in 1952, paid homage to President Mandela and rejected criticism of the Springbok she had tattooed on her hip when she set the world record of lmin 07.46sec in the 100 metres breaststroke in March.

Heyns shaved 0.44sec off that time to record imin. 07.02sec in a morning heat on Sunday but in the final, although she clocked an identical halfway split of 31.65sec, mis-timed her finish, gliding in for a lmin 07.73sec.

Asked whether she had met Harrison, Heyns replied: "Is that male or female? You see, I'm pretty ignorant ... she's female? Okay, I'd like to meet

her some day." Claudia Poll too made history, becoming Costa Rica's first Olympic champion by beating the German. Franziska van Almsick, in the women's 200 metres freestyle on Sunday.

Poll, whose sister Sylvia took the silver medal behind Heike Friedrich of East Germany in the same event at the 1988 Games in Seoul, won a tactical race that broke the will of the 18-year-old east Berliner. The pace never threatened van Almsick's 1994

Japan's rising sons enjoy their finest hour

John Goodbody on the aftermath of Brazil's surprise defeat in the football tournament

he history of the Olympic Games has been studded with astonishvictory of Milly Mills, the ittle known native American who defeated Ron Clarke, the Australian world record-holder. over 10,000 metres in Tokyo. In 1972, the United States controversially lost the baskethall final to the Soviet Union and four years ago Sergei Bubka, the greatest pole vaulter in history, failed to dear any height in

However, even these upsets were dwarfed when Brazil lost 1-0 to Japan at football in Miami on Sunday night. Enand's notorious 1-0 defeat by the United States in the 1950 World Cup now seems relatively predictable.

o emphoric that they led their front page on the story. The three million-circulation Tokyo Shimbum stated: "It's a miracle. This is an historic moment." Extra editions were rinted Football has been increasing in popularity in Japan since the J-League was set up in 1992. However, nothing prepared the Japa-nese, or indeed the world, for a result of such seismic

proportions. It was not that Brazil were fielding a weak team. They included players from their 1994 World Cup triumph, such as Bebeto, Aldair and Ronaldo, as well as Juninho, who illuminated Middlesbrough's midfield last season. The manager was Mario Zagalo, who masterminded that World Cup victory.

Oscar Valporto, a Brazil Olympic Committee press officer, said: "Everyone is very upset. We particularly wanted to win this conmetition and the Brazilian football confederation took exactly the same preparations as they did for the 1994 World Cup. We have taken the tournament very

Seriously.
"All teams that Brazil have fielded in international matches this year have been made up of players eligible for Although Brazil dominated goalkeeper, had collided, gave Bebeto said: "It was all Brazil, The Japanese hardly had a shot. They only scored

the game, a goal in the 72nd minute by Tenuyoshi Ito, after Flavio Conceicao, the Brazil

midfield player, and Dida, the

Brazil would still qualify from World Cup and the Olympic title since Italy in the 1930s.

fowards was lauded by the Japanese newspapers. The result will give a huge impetus to football in Japan as they prepare to co-host the World Cup with South Korea in 2002. Masaaki Mitsuhashi, from the Tokyo Shinhum, said: "Everyone who is interested in sport knows that Brazil is the No I for football, just as Japan is the No I for sumo and judo."

ing it up rapidly. The J-League has been suspended during the Olympic Games to allow the best players to take Teams for the Olympic com petition consist of eight play-

Britain does not have a team entered because Eng Northern Ireland field individual teams in international events. The last time Britain played at the Olympic Games was in Rome in 1960 when the competition was restricted to

The result in Miami is the biggest surprise ever in the tournament. Valporto said that Zagalo has a reputation among Brazilians for being locky. "People think that a star guides him," he said. However, the star may have descried him this week.

Britain's James Hickman, vho qualified third for the final in a British record time of After her victory on Saturhas a significant drop in day, Penny Heyns, the first swimming nowadays because South African to win an they'll probably get accused of

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Ravanelli vows to be best of crop

FABRIZIO RAVANELLI entered Middlesbrough's Riverside stadium for the first time yesterday, insisting: "I still can't believe it has happened." The 1,000 strong group of supporters who waited outside for a glimpse of their new hero ment. As days on Teesside go.

it was all rather surreal.

The temperature was nudging into the 80s, and there was a sultry heat around the place that is more familiar to Turin. the city that Ravanelli had just come from. Even the desolate dub's new stadium seems to have been carelessly dropped, looked almost inviting in the

Then there was Ravanelli Here we had a centre forward who is indisputably ranked among the best in the world and, it should be noted, at the very peak of his powers -signing for Middlesbrough. The same Middlesbrough that have spent 100 years in the practice of winning absolutely

nothing. Ravanelli is the forward whose goal in the final helped secure the European Cup for Juventus in May, the same player who has been first choice for his country for the and he is still only 27. Here he turned down flat," he said. "And yet, if you look at Ravanelli's goal-rate and standing in Italy, then you have to say that we have got was on his first day for Boro. The price of the scoop for Bryan Robson, the manager,

has been high. Some £7 million to sign the Italian and an offer to increase the near £30,000 a week Rayanelli had been getting at Juventus. Robson, though, believes that the expense is justified.
"I've heard a lot talked about the size of Fabrizio's fee and his wages, but if we had made a similar offer for play-ers like Alan Shearer, Robbie

Fowler and Teddy Shering-

meone even better. "He is a big, powerful man, who will endure the rigours of the Premiership. I see a bit of Shearer in him - he has great control and hits the ball with great power. He is so direct and we know if we give him the right supply, he will score a lot of goals."

Robson's reasoning is sound. For the price of a Cole,



Ravanelli unveils his new crew-cut look at he arrives at Middlesbrough, promising to boost the club's prospects

swered is why at the peak of his considerable powers, did Ravanelli choose to leave Juventus for Middlesbrough. Even his vast wages do not quite offer an adequate explanation.

The Italian was, he said. hugely upset to be allowed to leave by Juventus, and it seems that the European Cup holders have decided to sell off their assets just as they scaled the heights of the sport. "I had a cycle of not winning any-thing with Juve, and I really didn't think they would sell me now," he said. "It hurt me

immensely to be sold. "I want to help Middles-brough win something, and I Parma in Italy, a side who emerge to dominate," he said.

The player had offers from other English clubs, he explained, but when Robson came calling, he was seduced by the former England capain's pedigree. Ravanelli also believes he will quickly fit into the Premiership. "It is suited to my style," he said. As if to prove it. Ravanelli unveiled a new close-cropped haircut that has banished his distinctive grey colouring, to look the epitome of the English hardman. Defenders beware.



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Basque bombers spurn reforms

'Tourism has been targeted because it matters'

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FROM TUNKA VARADARAJAN IN TARRAGONA

THE recent rash of bombs in Spanish tourist centres, the last of which injured 24 Britons, has again raised questions about the aims of the Eta Basque terrorist group.

What exactly does the group want? Eta, the Basque language acronym for Euzkadi ta Askatasuna (Land and freedom), is ostensibly fighting to liberate the Basque people from oppression. Yet the modem Spanish State is among the most liberal in the world allowing Basques a control over their own affairs un-matched anywhere in Europe except, perhaps, by the Lander in Germany.

The Basques have their own provincial parliament and primd minister. They can raise and spend a significant proportion of their own taxes, and fly their own flag. They have their own police force. and their language, Euskera, is compulsory in all schools in the Basque country. They experience no discrimination for private or public sector

If the previous Socialist Government once ran death squads to eliminate suspected Basque terrorists, Spanish judicial process is today prosecuting the presumed murders. More than a month ago, the senior general of the Civil Guard was arrested without bail and charged with complicity in the death squad.



Tom O'Mahony, who for 12 hours believed his mother had been killed in Saturday's Reus airport blast

will not be satisfied with liberal constitutional arrangements, however much support these might have from ordinary Basques sick of terrorism and disruption. Eta wants nothing short of total sover-"How can we accept political concessions within the Spanish State if we do not accept that State in the first place?", one of its propagandists said recently.

Although support for Eta is numerically small, it is ex-tremely vocal and the group has always been fashionable among radical urban youths. Parallels with the IRA are relevant and the links between the two organisations have

cently as February, Pat Rice, a Sinn Fein councillor, visited the Basque country to make an emotional speech at an election rally of Herri Batasuna, Eta's political wing. Spanish observers have even suggested that the attacks on British tourists may not be unconnected with the apparent breakdown of the peace

process in Northern Ireland.

Eta's aims — and often its methods - receive support also from Egin, a Basquelanguage newspaper which campaigns for an independent homeland. Egin is the standard channel for information about Eta bombings, with callers ringing the newspaper as a matter of practice. A warning of Saturday's bomb was phoned to Egin. A spokes-man for the paper said: "We believe that the bomb was a natural and inevitable consequence of the conflict between the Basque people and the Spanish State."

The paper's news editor was charged yesterday with al-leged collaboration with Eta in an unrelated case.

In addition to Basque independence, Eta's manifesto calls also for "a socialisation of basic resources and industries, a change in the status of private property and the abolition of economic liberalism as a hasis for the Basque economic future." Totalitarian traits are also evident within the

imped on and blind loyalty is expected from the rank and

The bombings that have rocked Spain over the past two weeks have as their aim the destruction of the Spanish tourist industry. A source at Egin said: "Tourism has been targeted obviously because it

Spanish intelligence believes that the campaign is the work of an itinerant group of new Eta recruits. Madrid is Eta's willingness to injure foreigners, as the group, in all its years of terrorism, has tended to steer clear of non-

them were shaken initially, especially

But there has been a stoical, levelheaded side to the British reaction. "I spoke to loads of people from Man-chester," said Miss Miles, "and most of them were saying the things were a lot riskier back home."

She added: "The Spanish here were very good about the IRA bomb during the European Cup, so I think we owe them the favour of not over-reacting to a few little bombs."

Lisa Lievers, from Rotterdam, had

Mother and son each felt the other was dead

BY OUR FOREIGN STAFF

A MOTHER and son caught in the Reus airport bomb blast told yesterday how they each thought the other was dead for up to 12 hours afterwards because they were taken to different hospitals.

Tom O'Mahony, 10, from Dublin, told of the trauma he suffered while lying in a foreign hospital unable to feel his leg and thinking his mother had been killed.

Tom, who is now off the critical list, said: "I thought my mum was dead, especially when I was brought to a hospital on my own. After his reunion with his

mother, he said: "I was really happy when I saw her again It was the most beautiful sight in the world."

Yesterday explosives experts de-activated two bombs at a hotel in Spain's northeastern coastal resort of Salou, bringing the weekend total in th area to six.

In addition to the bomb attack on Saturday at Reus airport, two more devices exploded late on Saturday in coastal hotels but caused no injuries, while another was found and de-activated on

Eta, the Basque separatist group which planted the bombs, made a call to the radical Basque daily Egin saying it had placed two in the Hotel Augustus II.

The six bombs were not meant to cause casualties according to the guerrilla organisation's political wing. Herri Batasuna (The People). but to scare the Government after it rejected a truce las

"These are the dramatic consequences of a policy that does not resolve the problems in the Basque country," a Herri Batasuna spokesman said. "It is unfortunate that there had to be victims."

Enric Aragons, chairman of the Hotel Casablanca in Salou, said the tourism industry was particularly worried coming in smaller numbers this year, would cancel holidays after the Reus airport

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Stoical tourists add blast zone to list of sights BY TUNKU VARADARAJAN hotel, outside whose front doors a been serving pints to "some lads from Manchester" on Saturday when the bomb exploded on Saturday night. "If

THE seaside resort of Salou was composed yesterday, only 48 hours after three bombs placed by the Eta Basque terrorist group had exploded in the area with the clear aim of sowing alarm among foreign tourists.

Eight miles south of Tarragona on the Spanish Costa Dorada, Salou appears to have recovered all the tacky chain that compels guidebooks to describe it as a Blackpool in the sun. its promenades were packed as usual with large, lobster-coloured northern. Europeans — many British — licking icecreams, gulping cold beer and

we scuttled at the sound of every pop, how would we make a living? We keep calm, and encourage everyone else to keep calm. The British are the easiest to deal with and easily the most

The bomb had been placed in a public dustbin near the Black Bull, an English-style pub run by Ian Rooney, a 36-year-old Mancunian. The bin, now scorched black, has become a tourist sight in its own right. Clusters of wide-eyed people inspect it all day, whispering in hushed tones of Basque terrorists.

holding hands.
"Salou has guts," said Carlos Ferre, a receptionist at the Olympus Palace
"They come in for a drink afterwards," said Mr Rooney, "so things are not as bad as all that." He had

bomb went off, "but it was no worse than a fire cracker, really". Tourism generates more than 8 per

and employs 12 per cent of the country's workforce. Spain ranks third in the world after France and America - in terms

cent of Spain's gross domestic product

of foreign visitor numbers, and this year's score is expected to exceed 60 million. Thousands will make their way to Salou. many from Britain. A... disruption in the industry caused by

"There's lots of work for us here, so I hope things stay calm." said 24-year-old Helen Miles from Mansfield. "I their attitude."

by news from the airport."

British tourists as worried as we Dutch are. They have experience of bombs. We don't." She added: "I like

Restored Dubrovnik nurses human scars

FROM LEYLA LINTON AN DUBROYNIE

FTVE years after 2,000 Serb shells rained on Dubrovnik, many of its monuments have been repaired and the craters in the main street filled in. but the human scars of the war still

The resort, once the destination for British package tourists, is now home to thousands of refugees and people whose homes in neighbouring villages have been destroyed.

Those who refused to leave the city

during the siege cannot forget the humiliation and the fear that the Serbs might enter at any moment. More than 600 people from Dubrovnik were wounded and 200 killed. In this small, once-prosperous community, everyone knows somebody

Listening to the men of Cavtat recall their beatings in the Namtenegran jail of Morinje or the accounts of the people of Mokosica who lived under Serb occupation for almost a year, the visitor cannot escape their sad stories. They want to forget the past, but their need to talk is stronger. Srecko Krzic, who helped to defend the city, says: "We were afraid, dirty, hungry. It was mad-ness. Can you imagine what it was like in this beautiful city?"

While the world's memory of the siege and the shelling fades, the



A Dubrovnik fountain, left, shelled at the height of the siege, and restored, right. The human wounds take longer to heal

people of Dubrovník stili recali the day in August last year, when the rock pools of the tranquil village of Zaton were stained with the blood of a young couple. Danijela Spajic and Frano Goic, killed by Serb shells. Danijela's sister, Ruzica, 23, still wears black in memory of her sister who became one of the last civilian



victims of the war. She talks about the tragedy, remembering every

The couple were sitting under the pine trees by the rockpool when the shell exploded. One piece of shrapnel severed an artery in Danijela's leg. another piece entered Franc's heart. Ilija Djuric, a village councillor, was

holding the body of his girlfriend as he slipped in and out of consciousness. "He kept saying, "Where is Danijela? Is Danijela okay? I'm going to die. Is Danijela okay?" He died in the ambulance haliway to the hospital in Dubrovnik," Ruzica says.

The parents of Danijela Spajic watched the pictures of the bloodfilled rockpools on the television news that evening without realising their 25-year-old daughter was one of the victims. Hundreds of local people attended the funeral. The young couple, who had been together for two years, were buried side by side in white coffins covered in yellow roses.

A long-term casualty of the shell-ing which hurts Dubrovnik to this day is its tourist-based economy. Vladimir Bakic, director of the Dubrownik County Tourist Board, says: "It is safe here. The war is over, but notential visitors are still afraid."

This season, the board expects just a sixth of the visitors they welcomed in 1990. More than 80 per cent of the people of Dubrovnik used to work in tourism. Now the average family has

to survive on £65 a month. The few Serbs who remained in the city are too afraid to speak publicly about the way they have been ostracised. There have been incidents of Serbs losing their jobs after the war, or having their property darnaged. One Serb, who wished to double victims."

Just under half the hotels in Dubrovnik and the surrounding region are still badly damaged. Although a contract for a loan of £20 million to Croatia from the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development was signed this month to help rebuild them, it is not enough,

according to Mr Bakic. Many roofs in the Old City have still to be repaired. The funds for the first phase of the restoration have run out. "We are short of money," Dubravka Zvrko of the Institute for

the Restoration of Dubrovnik, says. There are still more than 5.000 displaced persons from the Dubrovnik region. Almost 2,000 of these live in hotels, some of which are still wardamaged. The once-splendid Hotel Imperial in Dubrovnik (still without a roof) now provides accommodation for refugees and displaced persons. Its management houses tourists in an

annexe. Jany Hansel, president of Desa, a humanitarian organisations, says: "Before the war in Dubrovnik we had 30 registered social cases and now we have a few thousand. Tourism was our way of life, and without tourism we cannot rebuild our economy Nobody is telling the people that life will not be the same as before. Our people think they will become rich overnight. They will not."

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tossed into the Gan-ges during the car-nage at the Satichowra Ghat on June 27. She was dragged to the shore by a sowar named Mahomed Ismail Khan, who took her by the hand and pulled her along beside his

I WAS conducted to a subadar's [sepoy officer's] hut three miles from the Ghat. I was given clothing worn by the upper classes of native females ... Disguised in this costume, and my face tanned from exposure to sun while in the trenches, it was easy for my captor to move me about from place to place without

exciting comment.

She was taken before two Moulvies (Muslim holymen), by now feversome, dazed, and

And now occurred the most dramatic episode in my life. I found myself in a large tent, which had originally been government property and used as an officers' mess. The Moulvies sat with solemn faces on a wooden dais, each having a drawn sword by his side. I was not granted the courtesy of a chair, but was made to squat on the ground.

Here was I, a young, cul-tured English girl, forcibly clothed in native costume, crouching on the floor, at the foot of the dais on which the Moulvies sat. Behind me stood a horde of wild-looking, fanati-cal Muslims who had assembled to witness the tamasha

[entertainment].

A deadly silence reigned, and the followers of the Prophet began the ceremony of my forced "conversion" to their faith. A "blessed" pomegran-ate was broken in halves, one section of which the Moulviein-chief partook of, while the other was handed to me to eat. A glass of sherbert was then

Native infantry, was

old straw strewn on the floor:

cart covered in thatch on the great ridge

overlooking Delhi. Her baby was born in some

MY BABY had dysentery and was not expected to live for nearly a week. There he lay with only

a small square piece of flannel thrown over

him, nothing but the sound of alarms, calls, and

shot and shell as lullables.

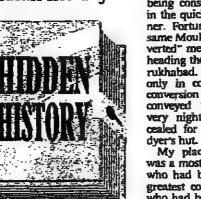
A week after the birth, the monsoon, or

summer rains, broke with great force. The thatched roof of the van leaked like a sieve, and

in a few moments we were drenched, baby and

ali, to the skin. Fortunately the bell of arms (a

More women's tales of the Indian mutiny



AMELIA

having to dispose of the remainder. Prayers were then recited in a loud voice, after which a female attendant, taking me by the hand, led me out of the tent to an improvised bathing place, where she undressed and bathed me.

new suit of clothes of the same type as the previous one was given to me to wear, and I was brought back to the tent, where I was made to stand and recite with bowed head a prayer termed the Kulma. This ended the ceremony, and my captor took me back to the hut where I had been lodged.

She stayed there for several days before being taken to Allahabad with the rebel army. The rebels then made for Delhi but, believing it had been retaken by the British, changed direction for Farrukhabad, where she was told she was to be killed.

They had arranged a better programme this time, and one in which the whole town could

How to keep out of the sun

eight months pregnant when the English evacuated Delhi. She lived in an old bullock somehow, for, having recently recovered from a

hundred cavalry and the same number of infantry were to be paraded to see the unique spectacle of an English girl being consigned to perdition in the quickest possible man-ner. Fortunately for me, the same Moulvies who had "converted" me were at that time heading the mutineers at Far-rukhabad. They protected me only in consequence of my conversion to their faith. I was conveyed to Lucknow that very night, and there con-cealed for two months in a

My place of concealment was a most wretched hovel. I, who had been reared in the greatest comfort and luxury. who had been the petted and spoilt child of loving parents, had now to live like some trapped animal in a cage. There was hardly room to move about in. Doubtless I should have died of suffocation were it not for the fact that I was sometimes permitted to take the air for a few minutes

Tired of fighting, many rebels decided to return to their homes. Amelia's captor took her with him and after a long and dangerous march, they arrived on the outskirts of Allahabad.

Now was the time for the sowar to save his life by delivering me up. He at last informed me that he would release me, provided I gave him a solemn undertaking to act as his advocate, and obtain for him a free and full pardon for the part he had played in

the rising.

Oh, the joy of living once more, free and unfettered, and among civilised and refined surroundings! I felt like a soul who had sojourned in hell. and was now about to leave the abode of the damned!

Angels of Albion by Jane Robin-

weapons) was empty, and my

husband put us into it.

serious illness, exposure to the sun might have

killed her. The little thing used to faint once or

twice every day, saying, "Mother, it is very hot".

To keep her under shelter was almost an impossibility, I was in despair what to do. At last a bright idea entered my head. It was rather

a unique one, which was to scratch holes in my

feet and tell her she must be my doctor and stop

their bleeding. The process went on daily and for hours. No sooner did my wounds heal.

when she used to make them bleed again for the

simple pleasure of stopping the blood with my handkerchief. But it had the desired effect of

The fashion industry is to blame for forcing our little girls to dress like this'



iev's daughter Cordelia is 13.

They live in Greenwich. "It's"

very hard to control what she

wears," Mrs Prokofiev says.

"If I stopped buying skimpy

dothes for her, she would borrow them from her friends.

Girls of her age want to be

fashionable and enjoy dress-

ing up. I'm not really against that. But they see techage magazines full of girls in next

to nothing and want to copy

that look. They have no idea how sexy they may look to

others. Designers are just not

children of Cordelia's age, or

they would realise how dan-

And Angela Graham.

whose two daughters, Kaleigh

and Julia, are nine and 13,

says: "I am most anxious

about my nine-year-old. She

already has her ears pierced

and wants to dye her hair and

wear miniskirts and high-

heeled pumps. She is greatly

influenced by music maga-zines and TV presenters, espe-

cially those on satellite. If she

had her way she would shop

in Gap, Esprit and Kookai for cropped tops and tiny skirts but I won't allow her to. I don't

let either of my daughters

shop alone because I want to

"However, the older they get

gerous their designs are."

Midriff-baring tops and hipster trousers are making our little girls look like Lolitas. The fault lies with the fashion industry, says Jane Gordon

with wide blue eyes and freckies that run across her tiny upturned nose and down her pale, round face. Her hair, which is cut into a bob of natural blonde curls, gives her the look of an Enid Blyton heroine from the Fifties and confirms, at least to me, that at 13 she is still a child.

But last week, when she set off on a controlled Nineties equivalent of a Famous Five dventure - a trip with a friend to a safe, supervised swimming pool — I watched her walk out of my car and into the crowded interior of our local health club with fear in my heart.

What triggered my terror was the way in which she was dressed. For even though she looks so much younger than her years - friends comment that she appears no more than eight or nine — she was wearing clothes that might have been more suitable on a young woman of 16: a pair of frayed cut-off jeans worn with tight white T-shirt,

emblazened with the telling high-fashion trade name "Hussey", that only just reached her midriff. Before we left home I had insisted that she wrap a sweatshirt round her waist to cover the small strip of bare white flesh but I was, nevertheless, disturbed by the contrast between her childish looks and her grownup clothes.

It has been a bad summer for young girls. There have been almost daily reminders of the dangers that they can face in a world where there is no longer any guaranteed age of innocence.

might be aware of the mes-sages - and not just the bold, brash slogans that are so often daubed across the budding chests of pre-pubescent girls that our daughters' provocative clothes give to our tainted world, they themselves have little idea of the way in which fashion and commerce conspire to turn them into poten-tial victims.

Almost from infancy they are urged into a state of mind that advertisers call "age aspiration". At four they are encouraged to want to be six, at six they are programmed to long to be ten and at ten they believe they are Just Seven-teen, clamouring to buy into the new image of early There is probably no popu-

lation group more vulnerable to commercial exploitation than young girls aged between 10 and 14. Their need to conform, their fears, their insecurities and their desire to achieve social acceptance make them the ultimate fodder for unprincipled retailers. And no matter how much

parents might long to control their children's appearance — I look back with such poignant nostalgia on the years when my little girl wore smocked frocks, buttoned Start-Rite shoes and vervet-collared coat - peer pressure and the cynical marketing ploys of the fashion industry make it virtu-

ally impossible for us to enable them to look their age. Glance through the children's departments of our most popular clothing retailers and you will quickly understand that childhood ends between about six and eight. From then on the items that

dominate the rails of even our most respectable stores are miniature versions of adult fashion. Crop-tops, hipster shorts, Lycra miniskirts, flimsy slip dresses - even tiny copies of sexy silk underwear that have conspired to make the delineation between girl and woman almost impossible

offered in stores such as John Lewis and Laura Ashley - are often so dull, conservative and middle-aged that few girls would want to wear them. Girls, do of course, want to look fashionable. But there is a difference between offering pubescent girls clothes that are

The only alternatives to

these sexually overt styles -

The outfits lend them a sexual allure they

cannot handle

fun, colourful and appealing pushing on them outlits that lend them a sexual allure they do not understand and cannot handle. Surely it is possible for retailers to provide clothes that are a compromise between the crop top and the smocked frock that would meet the criteria of both parent and child?

Nor am I the only mother to feel this way. Frances Prokof-

WHAT THE RETAILERS SAY

the harder it will be to control what they wear. I would also like them to develop their own styles and eventually be able to choose their own clothes." If buyers didn't bring such

provocative designs into the shops, designers would have to come up with something else for our children. Retailers will no doubt argue that in offering these current Lolita lines of clothing they are only giving young girls what they want, in rather the way that they are offering young boys. so much less vulnerable, similar high-fashion fare.

But someone, somewhere has to be culpable for the erosion of my daughter's childhood. And guilt, I believe, lies as much in the grasping hands of the fashion industry which offer our children a disturbing view of a prematurely adult world ("Married to my mate's granddad", "I'm having my stepdad's baby" and "I slept with my lesbian friend" are just three of the teasers on the front cover of this week's Just Seventeen).

he fact that our little girls are constantly being urged to dress and behave like nymphets would not perhaps be so disturbing if the adult images of female beauty, in glossy magazines, didn't reinforce the idea of precocious children by using models - many as young as 14 - pictured in provocative poses.

Of course the ultimate re-sponsibility for the way in which children behave - as the media so often remind us - lies with their parents. But even the most protective and cautious of mothers feels powerless in the face of the huge marketing force that is directed towards encouraging little girls to dress like women.

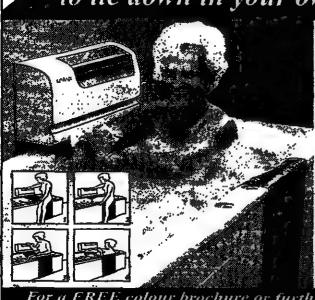
I can't stop my daughter from wanting to wear closes that I consider unsuitable (although I did put the pure white Hussey T-shirt in a coloured wash, rendering it a grubby shade of grey), but the fashion industry could. If the designers, retailers and store buyers faced up to their responsibilities and their role in the corruption of childhood. and began to create and sell ciothes that more subtly and safely cover that age between infancy and adulthood, it would make my role as a

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parent that much easier. Until then I remain an impotent - but very angry force in the battle to ensure that no one will ever mistake my little girl for a woman.

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nne Pitcher, head of childrenswear The retractable band returns to at Harrods, which includes the the unit leaving the bath totally Junior Collections targeted at 10 to fire for others. For while as adults we 16-year-olds "Our 12 and 13-year-

old customers know what they want before they see it here. They read magazines, watch television and see the huge marketing campaigns. Kate Moss advertised a particular pair of jeans, and it seemed that the whole world had to have them.

"Children come in desperate to find hipsters, short skirts and crop-tops. They're an eager hungry audience and we provide for them. It really is down to the parents to determine whether or not their daughters

"But we do balk at some things, I don't think little see through tops are appropriate and we don't stock them. And I don't buy things that are terribly, terribly short."

Sarah Golding, brand manager for Miss Selfridge: "Our target age group is 15 to 24, and we design and construct ranges specifically for that market. But our doors are open and we can't stop children from walking in. We know that younger girls aspire to our clothes, but we don't know how

many of our customers are under 15. It's very difficult to do market research because we can't interview under-the without parental

protect them.

"Basically it's up to the individual whether they buy something or not. Fashion has always been with us, and as a retailer we aim to provide what the customer wants. It's not our role to preach a particular message.
"Having said that, if we step out of line the

mothers will be the first to complain. It's not the clothes they get angry about - they hold the purse strings — but they will object to window displays or ads." Marks & Spencer would not allow us to

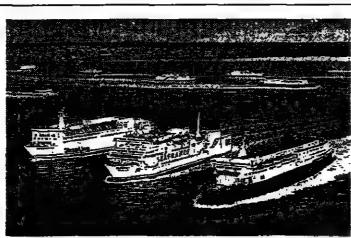
talk to a buyer on the ground that their buying was done by the type of garment rather than by age. "We don't target the teenage market so we therefore don't monitor their buying babits," said a spokeswoman. "We do stock clothes in childrenswear up to the age of 14, and we have pretty crop-tops in that area, but no hipsters. Overall, we believe that it's up to the customer to make the decision.

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The genius and the lies of the penguin man

Berthold Lubetkin's daughter only learnt the truth about her father after his death. Giles Whittell reports from Los Angeles

onsider: your father looms over your childhood as a callous tyrant. He ridicules and ignores you by turns, granting only the most fleeting hints of approval. He claims to be the only survivor of a family butchered by the Bollzeviks, and to have changed his name to escape them. Mysteries surrounding his real name and his abrupt abandonment of a glittering career are never solved in his lifetime. When he dies he is revealed, among other things,

What do you do? All this happened to Louise Kehoe, and she wrote a book about it In This Dark House, already published in America and due out here in September, is the story of a bizarre and traumatic upbringing deep in rural Gloucestershire soon after the war. It describes a near-fatal struggle with anorexia and Kehoe's jaw-dropping discovery, only six years ago, of her father's real identity. What makes it more than a memoir, though, is that much about the man had been very public knowledge since the 1930s: he was Berthold Lubetkin, Russian émigré, "father of British modernism", architect of London Zoo's extraordinary penguin pool, and

legendary rectuse.

The public Lubetkin reached England from Warsaw via Paris in 1931. He said he came originally from Russia but that, like much else about him, is hard to prove. In London he quickly set about showing the English what their cities could look like if they only stopped minding so much about tradition. The penguins in Regent's Park were given spiralling concrete ramps arranged in a double helix on which to parade like

arctic supermodels. Lubetkin stunned his colleagues and admirers by leaving London for Gloucestershire in 1951 and scarcely emerging for the next 30 years. His death in 1990 was marked by a flurry of reverent obituaries, but none of them addressed the burning question of why he had dropped out of professional life in his prime. It was then that his daugh-



Louise Kehoe discovered the truth about her father

ter began digging. "I'd always known intuitively that I would write a book about my relationship with father, long be-fore he died," Kehoe says from her current home in Massachussetts. She could not have known then, however, that it would turn into a

Her father was a diehard Communist who expected top marks from school work, but



The famous penguin pool

scorned as bourgeois nonsense everything Louise and her sister, Sasha, his children learnt there. He rationed and then banned meetings with other children for the same pseudo-ideological reason. He had an explosive temper, doling out black eves without. provocation. He even kept a Book of Grievances" on the fridge in which he listed every minor sin, from "Louise's bed unmade despite two reminders" to "Sasha stole piece of

fudge from kitchen".
"He was an abysmal father, and I went through patches of absolutely detesting him,"

Her darkest moment came

when she was 17, Staying with a penpal in Bavaria she fell off a bicycle and was treated for cuts by a Nazi doctor who assumed from her name that she was Jewish. He gave her 18 stitches without anaesthetic, and, sickeningly, adminis-tered a tetamus shot to both her nipples. When she returned home and told her father he reacted with apparent indifference. "It was the last straw." Kehoe says. "For once I had fully expected an outpouring of sympathy from my parents. Instead they just told me doctors do things differently on the Continent." Louise stormed out and did not set eyes on World's End again for early 30 years. A genius given to flashes of

wit and charm, Lubetkin, acconding to Louise, was incanable of affection. Why this is so is the private side of the public puzzle over why he abandoned

The answer is buried in the family taboos that surround. his parents and his real name. After her father's death Louise finds he has left both a false trail and a true one to his

identity.

While sorting through her father's effects the stumbles on a 50-year-old postcard dated May 1940 with a Latvian postmark. It is from a distant cousin of her father's, asking why he does not write to his parents, who are alive, Jewish



and in fear of their lives in

Nazi-occupied Warsaw. Some amateur sleuthing by an astonished Kehoe finds the distant cousin still alive in a New York tenement building and equally astonished to learn that her cousin Berthold had a wife and children. It is she who completes Louise's pozzle with one dread word, the place her grandparents really died. The word is Auschwitz

"When I heard that." Kehoesays, "there was a phenome-nal sense of suddenly understanding everything. The revelation of my father's identity wasn't simply the unmasking of the man, it was answering a whole host of questions about my own life and identity, and my relation-

ship with my family."

Tortured by the knowledge in bucolic rural England while his parents vanished in the Holocaust, Berthold Lubetkin reinvented his past and clammed up about his real roots for the last four decades of his life. The results for his younger daughter were anger and bewilderment. "I don't think he ever managed to feel any fatherly tenderness to-wards us," Kehoe muses." calmly now. "He was too filled with self-harred." She has forgiven him, as her mother told her she would, and she

has converted to Judaism. "Even as an adolescent I knew he was very important to me, but mine was an angry and resentful sort of love often outweighed by indignation. Now that it's all over I love him a great deal more healthily. I also look back on the things he did with a sense of detachment, and feel a sense of because he was basically an utterly tormented soul."

She speaks of a healthier sort of love for him than the angry and resentful sort she felt as an adolescent, and of compassion for a tormented soul. But in writing her book she has gone a long way towards redefining him in terms of his tragic private life instead of his work:

The book has certainly vexed Louise's siblings. Sasha Lubetkin, an architect herself. has condemned it as a "pathetic" collection of "personal chitchat and dubious anecdotes that does no justice to lier father's public stature. Louise argues in her own defence that people deserve a fuller picture. ● In This Dark House by Louise

Athletes are running to the law

Track, field and court

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tional lawyers last week checked in to Atlanta's Marriott Marquis hotel; they belong to a new Olympic committee whose powers have been laid down in legalese but whose task is, arguably, nothing less than to save the world of sport from literal and moral bankruptcy.

The threat comes from player litigation. In the past few years sportsmen and women who might previ-ously have fumbled in their kit bags for a tube of Ralgex when they felt sore are now

lawyer. Sport-ing law is a boom business The Ad Hoc Di-vision of the Court of Arbitration for Sport, as the group of lawcalled, may repsport's best hope for

saw the opening of Imran Khan v lan Botham and Allan Lamb, a libel dispute between former Test cricketers whose Edwardian predecessors would have settled matters over a single wicket competition.

In Atlanta, an Australian sprinter called Dean Capobianco was calls from his representatives in Sydney where an athletics tribunal was deciding if he took anabolic steroids. His case now bounces back to the International Amateur Athletic Federation.

Sir Arthur Gold remembers when it was not always thus. Gold, veteran ex-chairman of the British Olympics Organisation and a former Secretary of the British Amateur Athletic Board, has been watching the Atlanta Games at home in England.

For most of Gold's time in sport, Olympic athletes were amateurs and lawyers tended to stay away. "Since now prevent, or result in a considerable change in, inable that a number of legal experts have readily involved themselves in denying people's guilt, said Gold carefully. The flashpoints of mod-

ern sporting law have normally been drug tests. Diane Modahl, the gifted British runner, was suspended in 1994 after she gave a positive drugs test. She was cleared last summer and is now in Atlanta preparing for the 800 me-tres but her case is not yet over. With the help of London solicitors Mishcon

Princess The cases Wales's people) Rederation for £480,000.

Modahl's demand appears modest compared to the \$27 rolllion awarded by an Ohio court to the runner

stopping the rot.

The High Reynolds after Court in London last week his drugs case in 1990. The award against the LAAF was overturned in the US Supreme Court, but it still gives administrators sleepless nights.

It was partly to avoid such legal tussies that the IOC formed its ad hoc dream team. The 12 lawyers are in Atlanta to sit at short notice, when required, and sort out any dispute which goes to appeal. Olympians were asked to agree to accept the body's findings elsewhere. The rest of us, meanwhile, will be spared the ugiy spectacle of stars bickering with administra-

The star briefs in Atlanta include Michael Beloff, a London barrister. He accepts that the tendency of athletes to go to law is "probably irreversible", but hopes that "high level, internal dispute-resolution mechanisms can be found without troubling ordinary courts". Set a lawyer to

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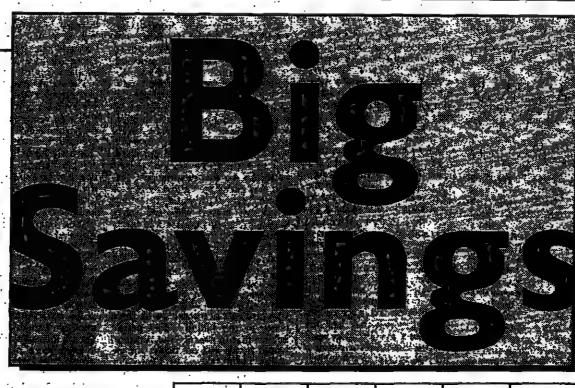
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Civility is the new priority

People just want to be allowed to live decently, writes Frank Field

Britain is moving beyond class politics. Instead, people are concerned with questions of personal behaviour. That is the message I have heard from my constituents since 1979.

It is important not to exaggerate the change over the past 17 years or so. There were al-ways complaints about behaviour, but years ago these were almost exclusively concerned with the thuggish behaviour of a few families on the most rundown council estates. Similarly, there are still a very few of the traditional complaints centring upon the right to work, or rights at work. And of course there are inquiries about housing and about benefits. But the balance has certainly changed.

Two recent advice surgeries put the change in stark terms. Of the 37 individuals or groups turning up at Birken-head Town Hall, there were no inquiries of the kind I faced in my early days as an MP. There were no protest groups against unemployment, or clo-sures, or the impact of the Government's fiscal policy redistributing to the rich. Nor were there any gender activists demanding I sign extremist statements on abortion law réform, as there once were. The only question of sexual politics came from a protester alleging that 12 and 13-yearolds were being offered condoms at the Brook Advisory Service and blowing them up as balloons as they came out.

Nor were there any protesters on other mainstream political issues: no complaints, for instance, about the Government's education reform programme. There were ques-tions, however, about how fairly the local authority deals with additional resources, which might be going to school governors. There were no complaints about the NHS reforms, although there were individual complaints about specific treatments.

Traditional political comnew ones, all centring on conduct, and more fundamentally on character. Complaints against the unacceptable behaviour of neighbours remain a thread through the years, but even here there is a significant difference. Birkenhead constituents are clearly avid newspaper readers. Re-ports of other councils experimenting with ways to control antisocial behaviour are eagerly presented. So my constituents now come armed with ideas and initiatives on which they wish me to act.

What is new is the proliferation of residents' groups, formed spontaneously to counter unacceptable behaviour in what used to be euphemistically described as the public domain. These residents insist on the enforcement of minimal behavioural

The group of residents driven to despair by the behaviour of prostitutes and kerb-crawlers wants action. There are no demands that I should change human nature, merely that the police move the prostitutes on a few roads to a place where there are no houses. The protesters also ask what can they do about a Granada television programme, which has care-

lessly described the area in which they live as a red-light district. "It is as though a walloping tax has been put on us, making our homes worthless. No one now wants to buy in our area." asserts one rightly indignant resident. While there have always

been complaints against individual families, the complaints now come thick and fast against gangs of youths, and against gangs of yourns, and quite young youths too. Run-ning along pensioners' roofs, banging on windows and uri-nating through letterboxes de-stroys decent living. The police tell me that 40 to 50 per cent of

their time goes in answering such cries for help.

A further group of residents squeezes into my surgery. Photographs are displayed of hour a small triangular green. how a small triangular green on to which each of their roads converge has been destroyed by local youths. I had noticed some time ago what was happening. Here was another manifestation of the breakdown of community, I too casually thought. Yet the residents displayed anything but apathy. They want to rebuild the little park and make it beautiful once again. They needed me to persuade BT to move a telephone box from the green, the local pick-up point for the drug trade. And could I get a reply from the council to their offer to restore the green to its old glory? The residents wish to pay for this them-selves, but the council has

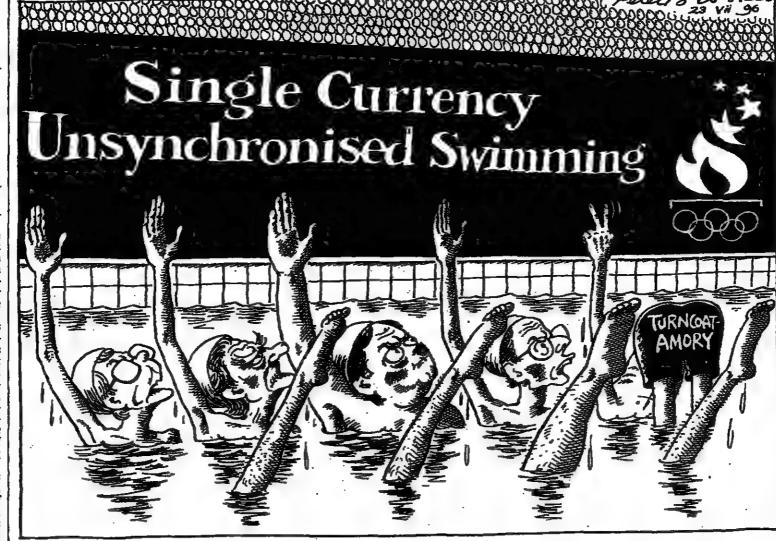
kearn of the bravery of the woman who runs a petrol station and who has fought back against her area being "turned into another Bosnia" by a violent youth. Other residents have come to ask about the long-term penal-ty on "this little monster", who at the moment has been put away in North Wales. When-ever questioned he had been arrogantly telling them to f*** off, as he is under age. The residents discussed with me the need to change the law so that it is the behaviour which defines criminal responsibility, rather than the incidental matter of reaching a

particular birthday. Perhaps subconsciously the Government has already begun to respond to the second stage of this new concern. namely, how to modify peo-ple's characters. The Child Support Agency is the proto-type here. Its essential aim is to ensure that parents continue to cover the cost of their children, even if they separate.

But this is only part of a much greater trend. Constituents no longer look to the State to solve employment problems although some party activists do. Instead, they are demanding that the power of the State be used as a surrogate parent, offering incentives and penalties to encourage decent behaviour, it does not take long in conversation with constituents to realise that they have a much deeper longing, which they lack the confidence to voice. They want to see a general resurrection of the values and decency their own families stand for and which was once characteristic of British society generally.

The author has been Labour

MP for Birkenhead since 1979.



Constituting trouble

hat mysterious entity the British constitution looks likely to play a bigger part in the next election than in any since the two of 1910, which involved a bitter battle about the powers of the House of Lords In registing the whole House of Lords. In reviving the whole question and making constitutional reform a principal plank in his political platform, Tony Blair must calculate that it is a vote winner.

The Prime Minister, however, clearly considers constitutional reform to be, if not a Labour loser, at least something which he can attack least something which he can attack in detail. Opposing most of the items in Labour's latest policy compendium, issued on July 4, is a bit like punching at a fog. But the proposals for constitutional change are clearer. There is something there to hit. Mr Blair's flagship is devolution: a parliament in Scotland with taxing and other powers; an assembly in Wales with inverse powers and note over with fewer powers and none over taxation; and English regional councils with still fewer powers. The other hereditary vote in the House of Lords. Conservatives will be inclined, like

John Major, to view these with suspicion. And mostly they are right. But it is unwise to rule out all proposals for constitutional reform. As Burke observed, "a state without the means of some change is without the means of its conservation". Everything depends on what sort of change.

The proposal most vulnerable to attack is devolution, not necessarily in principle, but in the form suggest ed by Mr Blair. Labour plans, in its first year of power, to create a Scottish parliament of 129 members, half of them to be women, elected partly on the first-past-the-post system and partly by the list system of proportional representation, which eaves all power with the party managers. Its functions would correspond roughly to the field covered by the Scottish Office: education, health, local government, agriculture, law and order. It would not deal with social security, defence, foreign and economic policy. A Scottish parliament would be able to vary the standard rate of income tax by three pence in the pound. Most people believe that in practice the variation would be up and not down: the socalled "tartan tax".

As originally put forward, the proposal had three major defects. There was to be no referendum in Scotland (or Wales), merely a general election. Mr Blair has now backBasic reform is so hard that Labour may regret its promises, says Robert Blake

The Tories should

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well alone

tracked on this, and we are told that there will be a Scottish referendum with two broad questions. Do you want a parliament? Do you want a "tartan tax"? This change still leaves

two great difficulties. The first is the "West Lothian" question. The proposal is that Scot-tish MPs at Westminster will still have the right to vote on English domestic matters, whereas English MPs will be deprived of any say in Scottish domestic matters. Why should Scottish MPs be entitled to vote on the closure of a hospital or school in London or Birmingham, if

English MPs have no power to vote on similar questions in Edinburgh or Glastion, and even if Labour wins the next election and steamrollers it

through, I cannot believe it will be tolerated for long. There are, after all, nearly ten times as many English as Scots.

The second major snag is that the over-representation of Scotland in Westminster is to be preserved. The figure currently is 72 MPs, whereas proportionately it should be 57. There are historical reasons for this concession to the junior partner in the sovereign Parliament of a real Union. But it would be indefensible if Scotland had a devolved parliament too. One could argue that by analogy with Ulster after 1922, the ratio of MPs to population ought to be lower than in

England, certainly not higher. Why, then, does Mr Blair defend the indefensible? The answer has nothing to do with constitutional logic. It is solely because Scotland is a

Labour fief and the party is run largely by a Scottish malia. The same is to some extent true of Wales, another Labour Sef. The Labour Party's intentions are less clear there. Even more obscure are its proposals for English regional councils, which seem to be designed as some sort of counterbalance to the anti-English implications of Labour's

form of Scottish home rule. There is

no demand whatever in England for

yet another tier of custly politicised local bureaucracy. I do not believe it will ever happen.

Labour's proposals for devolution deserve unqualified Conservative opposition. They are the first steps on the slippery slope towards Scottish separatism. Labour may say it is cutting the ground from under the feet of the SNP, but that is not how the SNP sees it. Its welcome for the idea is an ominous sign. If enacted as it stands, Labour's policy could easily lead to an English nationalist backlash. Mr Major is well aware that English separatism could entrench

> minster for many years to come. But like most of his colleagues and supporters, he is a unionist and would never pay that price. Nor would any Conservative worthy of the name.

The only other constitutional reform spelt out in detail is the abolition of the hereditary vote in the House of Lords. This is alleged to be phase one of a policy to substitute an elective upper house for the existing chamber. Meanwhile. we would have the biggest quango of all time: a House whose members would owe their seats solely to past or present prime ministerial patronage.

ven as an interim measure this would be thoroughly undesirable, and certainly no improvement on the present composition. The hereditary system, whatever its logical defects, does produce some people of independent opinions and also some who are much younger than the normal run of middle-aged legislators. Of course, it also produces some eccentrics and oddities. But this does not greatly matter in a House whose powers are so limited and which cannot seriousobstruct the legislation passed by

e Commons. The elimination of the hereditary vote might not be such a strong reason for Conservative opposition if it really were only the first stage in the creation of an elected Upper House.

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countryside. They say the plans would constitute an industrial dev-

elopment deep within the green

belt, and are appalled. Harewood insists that scenes from the steamy

soap have been filmed on his land

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out complaint.

My guess is that after achieving stage one, which will involve a great deal of parliamentary time and much controversy, a Labour Cabinet would rest on its oars and postpone for many years any plans for an elective chamber. There are immense difficulties involved — its powers, electoral system, and above all relations with the Commons, which would certainly resent the creation of a body

Faced with the threat to the hereditary vote, how should the Conservative Party react? There are two views. One is to wait upon events and take the line advised by Lord Denham, whose experience as the longest serving former chief whip gives him special authority. This is that there is no point in tinkering with the existing system. If proposals for an elective body come forward, treat them on their merits in due course.

with rival claims to democratic

Do nothing now. .The other view, set out in The Times recently by Lord Skidelsky, is that Conservatives should make counter-proposals for reform of the House. They certainly should not give way on the hereditary prin-ciple, but should adopt instead a system under which the hereditary peers elect a limited number of their colleagues with the right to vote. This would be analogous to the position of the Scottish peers after the Act of Union, who could elect 16 of their number as representative peers of Scotland to sit in

the House. Lord Skidelsky's proposal could meet one of Labour's objections to the composition of the House, its built-in Conservative majority. But it would not meet Labour's other great objection, to the hereditary principle itself. A hereditary electorate choosing a limited number of its own members as voting peers is almost as unacceptable to Labour as the exist-

There is little point in Conservatives putting forward proposals on these lines before the next general election. If Labour wins, it will go ahead with its own reforms, however undesirable they may be. If the Conservatives win, they might perhaps reconsider the whole question. but the likelihood is that they will echo the words of Lord Melbourne: "Why not leave it alone?" Perhaps Tony Blair and his colleagues should also heed Lord Melbourne's advice. But I doubt if they will.

Nelson, • not by halves

Tom Pocock says

an execution is not

a war crime

S o, it seems that Lord Nelson, the most durable of British heroes, is being accused of war crimes. A newspaper reports that historians, intellectuals and naval figures in Italy are calling upon Britain to apologise" for the hanging of an Italian admiral convicted of treason nearly two centuries ago.
Commodore Francesco Caracciolo had been condemned to death as a traitor by a court of his Neapolitan brother-officers, and Nelson con-

firmed the sentence.

Dr Carlo Knight, a distinguished Neapolitan historian of part-British descent, has been quoted as saying that while "in England, Caracciolo may be viewed as a traitor, in Naples has in here?" and describing his he is a hero", and describing his execution as "a black spot on Nelson's career. The Duke of Brienze a member of the Caracciolo family. is said to be willing to shake hands with the present Lord Nelson in reconciliation "on condition the British make

Certainly the hanging is nothing of which Nelson's admirers can be proud, if only because much of his popularity was founded on his humanity, not least in the commuting of death sentences among his own men. Yet as he saw it, he was justified in making a brutal and immediate example of Caracciolo. Nelson was acting on behalf of an ally, King Ferdinand IV, whose Kingdom of the Two Sicilies was vital to the British command of the Mediterranean and had been invaded by the French. A few months earlier. he had just managed to rescue the royal family from Nap-ies before the city fell to the invaders and to an internal revolution.

No matter that the Neapolitan revolutionaries — including Caracciolo as their naval commander — were led by the educated aristocracy and the liberal intellectuals, who detested their boorish Bourbon king. They were allies of the hated French, and must be treated as traitors.

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When Nelson's squadron anchored off Naples in June 1799, the city had been retaken by the royalist counteroffensive led by a military prelate, Cardinal Ruffo. The French had withdrawn and the rebels had taken refuge in the city's three great castles, but had emerged to trust in an am-nesty offered by Ruffo. However, as Nelson saw it, this amnesty could be authorised only by King Ferdinand, and he declared it invalid. So the dis-armed revolutionaries were handed over to rovalist courts, and a horrific series of executions began.

araccioto met a mercifully swift end, spared the horrors of being hanged before jeering crowds while the executioner clowned, sitting astride his victim's shoulders. He was tried by a court of rovalist officers, sentenced and hanged from the yard-arm of his own ship. Under the tensions of the time. it is unlikely that Nelson would have commuted the sentence even if he himself had not been in a disturbed

state in mind. At the Battle of the Nile a year before, he had suffered a head wound which, it has been suggested, might have brought on temporary behavioural changes, perhaps shortening the temper and loosening the inhibitions, symptoms such as may be caused by head injuries in road accidents. He was in conflict with his own superior, Lord Keith, refusing orders to leave Italian waters for Minorca, declaring, "I have no scruple in deciding that it is better to save the Kingdom of Naples and risk Minorca, rather than to risk the Kingdom of Naples and to save Minorca." He was suffering from guilt over his affair with Lady Hamilton

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and his betrayal of his wife, Late nights in Palermo while Emma gambled, champagne and un-accustomed rich food had made him even more tired and probably liverish. Add to this the first-hand stories he had heard of atrocities by the Prench revolutionaries, with whom he bracketed even the most idealistic and mild of sympathisers. In short,

he was bloody-minded. Educated Neapolitans have never forgiven the slaughter of their liberals and intellectuals, to whom there is a monument in the Piazza dei Martiri. Yet as Dr Knight says. there is still considerable antagonism between the Jacobin and royalist camps". King Ferdinand was popular with the working people of Nap-les, with whom he liked to go fishing. joining them to sell his catch in the fishmarket. When the present Pope. who publicly deplores the execution of priests by King Ferdinand, recently visited the Bay of Naples he was greeted by a shout of "Viva Nelson!" War is always brutal and seems even more savage when seen with hindsight in peacetime. The Napoleonic wars were less gratuitously brutal than some, but the hanging of Caracciolo should be seen beside General Bonaparte's execution of several thousand Turkish prisoners of war at Jaffa earlier in the same year. Like all who took a lead in civil war, Commodore Caracciolo is seen as a hero by some and a trator by others; it was his misfortune that his path crossed Nelson's at a time when the latter was displaying an uncharacteristic ruthlessness in carrying out the cruel customs of war.

Tom Pocock's Horatio Nelson is published by Pimlico at £10.

Empty chairs

tradition are to fall victim to political pressures this week, when Oxford University's regius profes-sorships, some of the most prestigious academic posts in the gift of the Crown, are advertised for the

first time. The move has the full backing of John Major, who is keen to open up an appointment system which has been criticised as arcane and

The most critical moment came with Harold Macmillan's selection in the 1950s of the Conservative Hugh Trevor-Roper over the radical A.J.P. Taylor. Margaret Thatcher also caused an outcry when she installed the military historian Michael Howard instead of Keith Thomas, who was favoured by

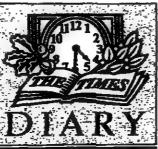
academics. The eight Oxford regius professorships, the earliest of which were founded by Henry VIII, will still be chosen by the Queen on the advice of the Prime Minister, whose appointments secretary is supposed to consult widely in the academic world. But the death of the Rev Canon Peter Hinchliff, Regius Professor of Ecclesiastical History, and the forthcoming retirement of

Professor of Modern History, has prompted Oxford to advertise.

Downing Street said yesterday that the decision to throw the race open to all applicants was taken jointly by the Prime Minister and Oxford, "It was felt that it was fair and democratic to advertise," said a spokesman for Oxford. Lord Blake, the distinguished Oxford historian (who writes today else-



"I'm afraid the After Eights are another £10,000



decision, saying it should have been taken long ago.

Fat chance

HOLIDAY-TIME next week for Chancellor Helmut Kohl is likely to prove difficult. Talk is that the unwieldy German is breaking with routine, forgoing the stuffed pig's bladder and dieting for a secand time this year.

At 6ft 5in, Kohl currently weighs in, impressively, at more than 20 stone, and friends say that he intends to lose weight on his summer break in Austria. "He's so big at the moment," says a weight-watcher from Bonn, "that when he stood up at the European Championships his big back covered the whole camera. You couldn't see anything." He is said to be contemplating a "zero diet" at a special clinic, where excitement comes in the form of mineral water and anfeistrudei is verboten.

But his office says we needn't worry: "On this holiday he eats normally and relaxes."

Farm frolics

THE QUEEN'S COUSIN Land Harewood is tussling with the Rambiers Association over the tele-vision soap series Emmerdale. Harewood, a fan of the series, wants to build an Emmerdale village on his estate so that filming can take place there.

The Ramblers are upset at the



Dieting Kohl: off on hols

ment only after MPs voted to award junior ministers a 35 per cent increase in golden hand-shakes. So it is lucky that the paperwork has still to be completed, and he need only accept the old rate. Jo'burg Jacko

FIRST it was Mark Thatcher, then Earl Spencer and now Michael Jackson. The pasty singer has fallen for South Africa after popping up in the Veldt last week for President Mandela's birthday party. He spotted a £5 million castle near

through and turned to his minder. 'Gee! Ah'd just love to live there." The spindly star said that he was much taken with the mena-

Johannesburg when passing



Jackson: thrilled by castle

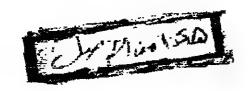
gerie of jackals, horses and rabbits in the grounds, not to mention nine staff wings. Within hours, heavies in dark glasses were hammering on the front door with Wacko in tow. The owner, Mike Dinopoulos, was given a few minutes' notice of the visit, but is now hoping for a rerun. "He couldn't have seen ir all because it is impossible to see the whole castle in one visit," he says. What is the point of just counting

the number of rooms in a castle?

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HONOURABLE DEPARTURE

A minister quits to spend more time with his principles

When ministers resign on principle or backbenchers defect, it is perhaps inevitable that colleagues describe them as disappointed, frustrated or bitter. The usual derogatory adjectives were rolled out yesterday to explain the behaviour of David Heathcoat-Amory, who has left his post of Paymaster General because of disagreements with government policy on Europe. He could not be a less appropriate target.

Mr Heathcoat-Amory is known in his party as an honourable and thoughtful man who, far from being self-seeking, generally shuns publicity. He was Deputy Chief Whip during the Maastricht Bill and kept his reservations to himself. As Minister for Europe, he tried to reconcile his views with government policy and never allowed journalists to interpret them for him. Now his loyalty has been tested to the limit.

For such an essentially discrees and modest man to write so strongly worded a resignation letter shows how he must have fought with his conscience and lost. "I am leaving because I can no longer support the Government's policy towards the European Union," he wrote to John Major, "At the Foreign Office and more recently at the Treasury I have dealt with the European Union at first hand. I have supported a policy of attempting to reform it and building a relationship which protects British interests and prevents unwarranted interference in our affairs. This policy is not working."

Joining a single currency would be "disastrous". The Government's current position of refusing to say whether or not it would join is "confusing to the public and disappointing to most of our supporters". Then the killer blow: "When something is clearly against the national interest, it is our job as the party of the national interest to make our position clear and resist it now."

Mr Heathcoat-Amory is not alone in his anxieties. His successor as Minister for Europe, David Davis, was only just per-suaded last week by the Prime Minister not to resign for the same reason. When two Ministers for Europe, three-quarters of the Cabinet, the vast majority of MPs, and most of the party in the country think that the current policy is wrong, why is the Prime Minister still defending it?

The answer is that he is being held hostage, primarily by his Chancellor. For Kenneth Clarke, European integration is a passion long and deeply held. There was a time when his was the majority view in the party. But Europe itself has moved on since the 1970s and so have the Tories, leaving the likes of Mr Clarke and Sir Edward Heath stranded like driftwood beyond the tideline. If it were not for the Chancellor's intransigence, Mr Major would most probably have agreed by now that he could and should rule out joining a single currency during the next Parliament. Then voters would know what they were voting for at the forthcoming election and the Tories would mark themselves out from Labour, Indeed, Labour could then be portrayed as the indecisive party on the single currency, unable to make up its mind on the most important issue to be addressed by the next Government.

Even business leaders who are generally in favour of economic and monetary union now have reservations about the attempted timetable. It is quite possible that EMU will not go ahead as planned in 1999, and if it did, there are strong arguments for Britain waiting to see whether remaining outside is an advantage or a disadvantage. To allow the currency to function without Britain for three years, until 2002 when the next Parliament ends, would be a moderate and pragmatic move. And if the Chancellor of the Exchequer cannot persuade his own minister of the folly of such a policy, what chance do the Conservatives have of persuading the country?

DEFEAT FOR PEACE

A tragic reverse in the war against Tamil separatists

Sri Lanka's hopes of peace, which six months ago appeared brighter than at any time in its bitter 12-year war against the separatist Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, have almost certainly died along with resibly the entire garrison of soldiers detending the Sri Lankan Army's Mullaitivu base. This disaster is political as well as military. The LTTE has scored a huge rical victory, proving that althou it has been driven out of Jaffna, the seat of its crypto-government, its military teeth are unblunted. The army has suffered a humiliation that will harden political resistance to the imaginative peace plan which President Chandrika Bandaranaike Kumaratunga has been struggling for months to get through the Sri Lankan Parliament.

This peace plan was the primary target for Velupillai Prabhakaran, the LTTE's mercilessly fanatical leader who has everything to lose by political compromise. The closest historical parallel is probably the Tet offensive in Vietnam, which was militarily indecisive but hugely destructive in terms of Saigon's morale. Like the Viet Cong in 1968 the Tigers have suffered casualties that they can ill afford. But they have sprung the political trap which Mrs Kumaratunga had set for them.

Her far-sighted offer of a Sri Lankan "union of regions", which would give extensive autonomy to the Northeastern Province where Tamils are in a majority. has won the support of moderate Tamils. But to amend the constitution, the President needs a two-thirds majority - available only if the United National Party, currently in opposition, gives its assent. To sell the plan to Sri Lanka's distrustful Sinhalese majority, the President has to prove that the LTTE guerrillas can be definitively defeated.

That was why the capture of the city of Jaffna last December was politically allimportant. But the Tigers were able to redeploy most of their forces. Even before this set battle, their hit-and-run guerrilla attacks had put Sri Lanka's 100,000-strong army under great pressure; the £500 million military budget for this year, an enormous for an impoveri

already been exceeded by 10 per cent. The political window opened by the fall of Jaffna will now almost certainly close. The President's chances of carrying the Opposition are now negligible; her opponents will have the support of the military in arguing that constitutional reform is not only irrelevant but dangerous until the grip of the Tigers is broken.

This is a tragedy for the exhausted Tamil population in the north and east. They are frightened of the army; they are even more terrified by the LTTE, which press-gangs young children and massacres whole villages where it suspects collaboration. Despite its terrorist nature, the LTTE has no difficulty raising funds from Tamil communities abroad; the historical memory of Sinhalese atrocities keeps the money flowing an estimated £250,000 a month from Britain alone. Since the Tigers assassinated Rajiv Gandhi, India has helped Sri Lanka to restrict the Tigers' access to overseas sources of money and weapons. It has rounded up LTTE cells in Tamil Nadu and joined Sri Lankan naval patrois to interdict arms shipments. Isolating the LTTE is important. Mrs Kumaratunga's plan is still Sri Lanka's best hope. As she struggles to recover lost ground, she deserves what little support the outside world can offer.

THE PREMIER CLUBBED

Smith Square learns the wrong lessons from America

Brian Mawhinney has spent a difficult day trying to explain away the "Premier Club", a fund-raising operation run out of Conservative Central Office, that offers dinners with party figures in return for large donations. An ordinary Cabinet member is worth £10,000, the Prime Minister ten times that. Labour has had great play reviving the sleaze factor in its wake. This takes chutzpah given that the Tories offer only supper for financial support, not seats on their National Executive Committee. Nonetheless, the cavalier attitude towards the Companies Act taken by Ms Frances Prenn, the club director, has raised eyebrows.

The concept for this group was shamelessly borrowed from American Republicans who have had such devices for some two decades. It follows a well-established pattern by which the Conservative Party eagerly imports ideas from the United States and then completely fails to make any adaptation to suit British circumstances, with predictably adverse consequences.

The first case concerned Norman Tebbit who, as party chairman in the mid-1980s, borrowed the notion of mass solicitation through mailshots. In the United States this is a highly scientific and targeted technique. Overhere the Conservatives wrote begging letters to all and sundry who had bought BT shares and the returns were much less than hoped for. Kenneth Baker, in his stint at Smith Square, was seduced by an especially sophisticated form of focus-group polling

pioneered by Richard Wirthlin, President Reagan's opinion reader. Wirthlin was duly employed, but his work proved more expensive than productive.

Now it is Brian Mawhinney's turn with fund-raising clubs. These are indeed highly successful in the United States, but they operate in a specific context. Culturally, while the difference in attitude to conspicuous wealth between Britain and America has narrowed, it still exists and requires respect. Because of various Federal Election Campaign Acts and Ethics in Government laws, the Republicans publish the names of their contributors, thus reducing controversy. And they are careful to avoid the appearance of impropriety. The bodies concerned have titles such as "The Eagles" and "Team 100": nothing as secretive in style and crass in character as the "Premier Club", which sounds more like an airport departure lounge than a serious political organisation.

Furthermore, in the land of the free and the home of the lawyer, this sort of advice would never be given by telephone to an unknown inquirer. Imitation may be the sincerest form of flattery, but Republicans must be amazed at the way in which

Conservatives have used their techniques. Thus national stereotypes are turned on their heads. On this matter, where the Republicans are classy the Conservatives have been brassy. How strange that the party of traditionalism and nationalism should fail to apply them to its own dealings. | put to death for the fathers

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Unhappy ruling on frozen embryos

From Professor R. G. Edwards, FRCOG, FRS

Sir, IVF practitioners in the UK are fortunate in having the Human Fertil-ization and Embryology Authority to regulate the ethics of our field. Clinical and research affairs are now conducted under their overall guidance. so benefiting ourselves and the public, as was shown by their extension earlier this year of the original five-year period for storing frozen (cryopreserved) embryos.

Yet surely the ruling insisting on the destruction of groups of "unclaimed" frozen-stored embryos on July 31 (presumably based on an interpretation of the law) has been in error. Embryos carefully preserved in clinics throughout the UK for parents who might wish to use them cannot now be

Parents have formally to request for continued storage before this date, and many have done so. The onus to find the remainder and ascertain their intentions was placed on IVF clinics, which sent letters to these missing parents and to their GPs and some health authorities. Many parents (or gamete donors) have not replied, so their embryos must be destroyed legally on July 31.

Most IVF embryologists have no desire to destroy these embryos, which were cryopreserved to help parents. If embryos are not destroyed on time, the law will exact a penalty, eg. revok-ing the licenses of offending clinics to practice, and so forcing them to close.

Many "missing" parents have not received the clinics' letters and may be unaware of the threat to their embry os. Others are unsure of their decision, or have only one or two stored embryos, and face high costs for thaw-ing and transfer with low chances of pregnancy. Others are uncertain if they desire another child, or worry about unpaid storage bills to the clinics. If all embryos are destroyed on July 31, some unsuspecting parents will need counselling when they return for their embryos some time

In my opinion, applying legal mea-sures to complex ethical decisions has proved incorrect once again. There were surely better ways of dealing with this problem, and three come to mind immediately.

First, a clause in an HFEA document issued with many contracts between clinics and parents for embryo cryostorage states that storage is dis-continued when the wife reaches the age of 55. This is a natural, biologically acceptable endpoint, not an arbi trary legal one, and would have been so much more acceptable.

Second, the HFEA might have assumed authority for the "parentless" embryos until more thought was given to the situation. The threat to clinics would have been removed and the HFEA would have had more time to sort the problem out.

Finally, since the problem of disposal is so important as to involve legal enforcement, the HFEA could have been given powers to search for and contact the missing parents, eg, by using methods for tracing missing persons. This action would at least have reduced the size of the problem of unclaimed embryos.

Let us hope that this sad experience of witnessing the destruction of sever-al thousand human embryos will teach us some lessons.

Yours faithfully R. G. EDWARDS (Editor, Human Reproduction), London Women's Clinic, 113-116 Harley Street, W1. July 19.

TWA air disaster

From the Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of the Islamic Republic

Sir. The headline to your report of July 20 on the TWA air disaster was "FBI investigate Iranian bomb tip-off over TWA flight 800".

It is much to our surprise that The Times should use any tragic event in the world to distort the image of the Iranians. Is it fair to rely upon the word of a "reliable informant", a so-called "Iranian exile", in order to call the dignity of a nation into question?

Yours faithfully. MOHAMMAD SAFAEI, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of the Islamic Republic of Iran, 16 Princes Gate, SW7. July 20.

Giving evidence: children's trauma

From Dr Raise Roberts

Sir, Since the conviction of the paedophile Howard Hughes for murder (re-ports, July 19), it has been suggested by the detective in charge that pro-ceedings against Hughes for earlier indecent assaults on children were not bright to allow their children to give exidence in court.

I hope no one will even think of criticising those parents; nor must they blame themselves. Their duty was to do what they thought was in the best interests of their child and they do not bear responsibility for Hughes's sub-sequent actions and the failure of society to prevent such actions.

As an expert medical witness who has frequently given evidence in court in child-abuse cases, I have often seen children give their evidence and the trauma which they sometimes experi-ence. At present the child is interviewed at the time of the complaint and the video-recorded interview played in court, following which the child is cross-examined by counsel.

The court case takes place many months after the case comes to light; the child has the matter hanging over her (or him) and cannot start the process of recovery. She attends court, sits in a small room with a court attendant and answers questions put by a stranger seen on a television screen.

She watches the months-old video and then answers questions, some-times couched in difficult legal lan-

guage, about matters which may have occurred years earlier. She is likely to be accused of making things up, outright lying or malicious behaviour calculated to get back at someone she does not like. Children are frequently distressed and tearful whilst giving their evidence.

I would defend to the death the right of the defendant to have his case put fairly and fully; but the defence frequently seeks and obtains adjournments, occasionally even during the trial after the child has given evidence. In such cases it is not surprising that the child may refuse to give evidence when the proceedings are relisted months later.

In 1989 the Pigot committee recom-mended that the defence should put its questions to the child at a preliminary hearing shortly after the original in-terview, possibly before a judge in chambers, then the child would be finished with the legal proceedings.

Now that the law requires the defence to outline what its case will be in advance of the trial, there is no reason why the "full Pigot" should not be implemented. Until these long overdue changes are made, the law will continue to fail to protect children.

Yours faithfully RAINE ROBERTS (Clinical Director), The Saint Mary's Centre, Saint Mary's Hospital, Oxford Road, Manchester 13.

Inter-faith dialogue

From the Reverend Marcus Bravbrooke

Sir, By juxtaposing the Dalai Lama's call for reconciliation between religions and the tragic situation in Northern Ireland, William Rees-Mogg ("Reconcile or perish", July 18) highlights the most difficult question ights the most difficult question that faces those active in the inter-faith movement: how to make that message relevant in areas of conflict.

Exactly 60 years ago to the day on which Mr Rees-Mogg's article appeared the Muslim scholar, Yusuf Ali, said to the World Congress of Faiths. convened by Sir Francis Younghusband, that it symbolised "the one-ness of human faith and human hope and human life". He added a warning

that those who expected that this message "would go like wildfire and would immediately create a new world" might be disappointed.

The dream of inter-faith co-operation and reconciliation has certainly spread, but if it is to be effective in creating a new more peaceful world order, then adequate resources must be made available for inter-faith work, all forms of discrimination and prejudice should be exposed and rejected by people of faith and religious leaders eacther should make this message of dialogue and reconciliation a priority as we prepare for a new millennium.

Yours faithfully. MARCUS BRAYBROOKE (Chair). World Congress of Faiths. 2 Market Street, Oxford.

Biddenden Maids

From Mrs Prue Stokes

Sir, Rachel Campbell-Johnston's article on Siamese twins ("The loneliest people alive", July 17) refers to the Biddenden Maids. I am afraid her sources misled her badly. We would know a lot more than we do about Mary and Elisa Chulkhurst if they had indeed lived "in the early years of this However, the traditional date for

their death is 1134. Their bequest, for which there is now no extant evidence other than about 400 years of records of the Chulkhurst Charity, was for certain land rents to be used for the benefit of the poor of the village, not Bread, cheese and tea are still distri-

buted every Easter Monday to those parishioners considered eligible. The "cakes" have a more recent history. from only the 18th century; they are a free - and scarcely edible, being hard flour and water biscuits - souvenir given by the trustees of the charity to both beneficiaries and onlookers.

Yours etc. PRUE STOKES (Honorary Secretary, Biddenden Local History Society), Willow Cottage, Smarden Road, Biddenden, Ashford, Kent.

Under-age gambling

Sir, Your report (July 18) that Oflot wants to crack down on under-age lottery gambling will be welcomed by all of us who work with young problem gamblers. There are now a handful of studies all reporting that some retailers break the law by selling scratchcards to children as young as 11. All these studies indicate that between 60 and 75 per cent of under-age children can buy scratchcards and/or National Lottery tickets.

It should also be noted that a recent. study by the Independent Television Commission reported that The Na-tional Lottery Live programme was

people of six inconvenient nations".

that the struggle of the Israelites for

freedom was opposed not only by

their Egyptian masters, but by other

slave-societies which saw as great a

threat in the Mosaic revolution as the

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Silent films

From Mr Adrian Wootton

Sir. Your film correspondent Geoff Brown's assertion (article, Arts, July 15) that the British Film Institute is unable to provide a level of silent-film programming the equal of Bologna or Pordenone is unfair.

These are specialist festivals dedicated to a week or two of silent-filmmaking, whereas the glories of the silent cinema are celebrated every month of the year at the National Film Theatre. As part of our centenary celebrations during February and March we screened over 600 films made by the Lumière Brothers between 1895-1901, as well as 150 titles in a single programme from our own BFI National Film and Television Archive in

a tribute to Pordenone. On the day Brown's article was published we screened a rare selection of work by British pioneers and are hoping to bring a large part of the Rudolph Valentino retrospective shown at Bologna to the NFT next year.

Yours faithfully ADRIAN WOOTTON (Head of the British Film Institute on the South Bank), British Film Institute, South Bank, Waterloo, SEL.

From Dr Mark Griffiths

the second most popular television programme among ten to 15-year-old children, with 38 per cent watching.

Children are thus being saturated with the principles of gambling and need more adequate protection. One recommendation that the Government should seriously consider is raising the minimum age for all lottery gambling to 13, in line with most other commercial gambling activities.

Yours faithfully. MARK GRIFFITHS (Chair of Trustees, UK Forum on Young People and Gambling). Nottingham Trent University. Psychology Division, Burton Street, Nottingham July 18.

(Deuteronomy xxiv, 16). God of Old Testament From Dr Hyam Maccoby

Sir, Michael Long's letter of July 18, attacking the Old Testament, is clearly actuated by strong moral feelings; but it is short on accurate reading of

the text of the Hebrew Bible. He says, for example, that the death penalty for those who offend against the First Commandment "probably means that their spouses and children, and maybe their servants and animals too, must be stoned to death

alongside the offenders themselves".

This is a large accusation to he cover-

ed by a lazy "probably". In fact, the Torah differs from other Middle Eastern codes of the time by specifically encluding an offender's family from legal penalties. The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, neither shall the children be

Romans later saw in the revolt of Dr Long's chief charges, however, are against God Himself, rather than the legal provisions of the Torah. He

As for God's threat to "visit the sins of the fathers on the children up to the says that God "killed huge numbers of third and fourth generation" (Exodus xx, 5), this is a statement of a fact of Egyptian children" at the time of the life; that people's sins cause suffering to their descendants. It is not a legal Exodus, was ready to punish offenders' descendants up to great-grandchildren and promised to "blot out the principle, as emphasised by the prophet Ezekiel in his angry diatribe Dr Long should consider that the story of the Exodus is one of the liberaagainst any legal doctrine of responsi-bility of children for the sins of their tion of a slave-caste from tyranny, and fathers (Ezekiel, xviii).

Here the God of the Old Testament compares very favourably with the God of the New Testament, who (at least in Augustine's interpretation) holds all later generations responsible for the sin of Adam (Romans v. 12).

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Yours faithfully. HYAM MACCOBY, Leo Baeck College. 80 East End Road, N3. July 18.

Exemplary life of William Morris

From Mr and Mrs John Cooper

Sir, George Bernard Shaw said in 1934 that in a more sensible age William Morris would become "St William of Kelmscott". This age has not yet dawned, apparently.

One of the least noticed decisions

made at the recent General Synod was the removal of Morris's name from the list of candidates to be added to the Calendar. His nomination had already passed through due process over a required two-year period. It is now rejected on grounds of lack of evi-

dence of Morris's Christian devotions. The Church of England Calendar recognises those it considers "worthy of remembrance". Morris had considered entering the Anglican priesthood as a young man, and throughout his long and productive life, cared passionately about church buildings and their ornament. Above all, he aspired to a better, fairer society in which art could flourish universally with educa-

tion and freedom. He was in favour of equality for women. He first entered politics to protest against political apathy over the persecution of Christians in the Balkans. He led an almost exemplary life of passionate intensity and commitment, but had little if any time for the clergy. Perhaps herein lies a clue to his recent but, hopefully, temporary exclusion from the Calendar.

It is a lost opportunity in the year of his centenary and is to be deplored.

Yours faithfully, JOHN COOPER, KATE COOPER. 39 Amos Grove N14. July 18.

Question of degree

From Professor D. R. Myddelton Sir, Dr Malcolm Taylor (letter, July 17) proposes to separate the teaching and examining function within a uni-

versity to safeguard standards. Using an external body for examining would seem to make continuous assessment impracticable, since speed of feedback is vitally important. It might also tend to reduce the diversity of course syllabuses. In any event, it is salutary for teachers to see what their students have learnt.

Yours faithfully, D. R. MYDDELTON (Head of Finance and Accounting Group). Cranfield, Bedford MK43 DAL.

Bacon in Paris

From the Director of the Tate Gallery Sir. Francis Bacon was, indeed, one of the great painters of the 20th century. as David Sylvester's magisterial exhibition in Paris confirms.

However, contrary to the views expressed in your leading article of July 9, he has not been a prophet entirely without honour in his own country. Of the four major exhibitions of his work held during his lifetime, two were initiated by and shown at the Tate in 1962 and 1985. We expect to celebrate his achievement here in many ways over the next decade.

Yours faithfully. NICHOLAS SEROTA, Director, Tate Gallery, Millbank, SWI.

Unforgettable 'Vanya'

From Mr Michael Barton

Sir, Has Benedict Nightingale lost his memory or is he too young to remember? He asks (review, Arts, July 11) whether there has ever been a bener cast Uncle Vanya than the present

Chichester production.

Can he have forgotten the 1962 Chichester production with Olivier and Redgrave (two of the greatest actors of the day), supported by Joan Plowright, Joan Greenwood, André Mor-ell, and — in the smaller parts — Dame Sybil Thorndike and Lewis Casson? This production was later included in the new National Theatre's repertoire with the luminous Rosemary Harris as Yelena.

One could also cite the 1945 Old Vic production with Olivier, Richardson, Margaret Leighton, Joyce Redman. and (again) Thorndike. Chekhov seems to have been well served.

Yours faithfully, M. F. BARTON. Bedruthan, 4 Old Rectory Gardens, Thurlestone, Kingsbridge, Devon.

Getting warmer From Mr James M. Jacob

Sir. Yesterday your weather map forecast a noon temperature for Belfast of 4C. Today you report that the actual maximum temperature was 2373C. Does the city still exist, or was it wishful thinking on your part?

Yours sincerely, J. M. JACOB, I Clydesdale Avenue. Chichester, West Sussex. July 18.

Have no fear

From Mr Roger Cookson Sir. Is my dentist alone in having a Bible in his waiting room? Yours, in some dread, ROGER COOKSON,

20 Temple Fortune Lane, NW11.



COURT CIRCULAR

July 22: The Duke of Edinburgh, Patron, this evening gave a Recep-tion for the London Federation of Clubs for Young People at Buckingham Palace and later attended a Dinner at Lancaster House, St James's, London SWI. ST JAMES'S PALACE

July 22: The Prince of Wales, President, Business in the Community, this morning held a meeting for business leaders who have taken part in the "Seeing is Believing" visit programme. His Royal Highness later re-ceived the Rt Hon Malcolm

Rifkind MP (Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs).

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will give a garden party at Buckingham Palace at 4.00.

The Duke of Edinburgh will visit

the Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, at Neasden, at 11.00; and as

Master of Trinity House will attend a dinner at Trinity House,

Prince Edward, as Chairman of

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Pegasus Project, will attend the

project's annual luncheon at Skin-

Princess Margaret, as Patron of

the Zebra Trust and Zebra Hous-

ing Association, will open the

redesigned garden at impala House, Chalcot Square, NWI, at

Service dinner

Services Fuotball Association

Sir Bert and Lady Millichip were

the guests at a dinner of the

Services Football Associations held

last night at Admiralty House to mark Sir Bert's chairmanship of

the Football Association. Vice-Admiral Sir Robert Walrosley

presided. Admiral Sir Anthony

Morton, Lady Walmsley, Lieuten-ant-General and Mrs S. Cowan,

Air Vice-Marshal and Mrs C.C.C.

Coville and officers and their ladies from the Services FAs were

Today's royal

engagements

Tower Hill, at 7.10.

ners' Hali at 12.30.

Birthdays today

America, London NWL

Epsom, Surrey.

tionist, 74; Sir Nicholas Barring-ton, diplomat, 62: Mr Dallas Bower, television producer and director, 89; Sir Alastair Down, former chairman, Burmah Oil Company, 82: Mr David Essex, singer, 49; Mr Michael Foot, former MP, 83; Mr Graham Gooch, cricketer, 43: Mr A.C. Graham, former Headmaster, Mill Hill School, 64: Dr Robert Hawley, chief executive, British Energy, 60: the Rev Bersy Haworth, former Church Estates Commissioner, 72; Mrs Elspeth Hudey, writer, 89: Slr Charles Kerruish, President of the Tynwald, Isle of Man, 79: Mr Danny La Rue, entertainer, 69: Mr Clive Rice, cricketer, 47; Sir Richard Rogers, architect, 63; Professor Andrew Rutherford, Vice-Chantellor, London University, 67; Mr Richard Searby, QC, former chair-man, The News Corporation, 65; Sir John Stokes, former MP, 79; Mr Peter Twiss, former test pilot.

Reception

Jewish Lawyers and Jurists Sir Sigmund Sternberg, patron, hosted a reception at the Reform Club yesterday in honour of Lord Woolf on his appointment as Master of the Rolls and to inaugu-rate The 1997 World Congress of The International Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Coventry Patmore, poet, Woodford, Essex, 1823; Sir Arthur Whitten Brown, aviator, Glasgow, 1886; Raymond Chandler, novelist, Chicago, 1888; Haile Selassie, Emperor of Ethiopia 1930-36 and 1941-74, Ejarsa Goro, near Harar, 1892. composer and organist, Madrid, 1757: Isaac Singer, inventor of the sewing machine, Torquay, 1875; Ulysses Grant, general, 18th American President 1869-77, New pathologist, sanitary reformer, London, 1904; Sir William Ramsay, chemist, discoverer of "inert Wycombe, 1916; James

Maxton, chairman of the Independent Labour Party 1926-31 and 1934-39, Larga, 1946; D.W. Grif-fith. film producer, Hollywood. 1948; Henri-Philippe Petain, Chief of State of the Vichy Government 1940-44, De d'Yeu, 1951; Robert merston, Vermont, 1951; Cordell Hull, American statesman, Nobel Peace laureate 1945, Washington, 1955; Eddie Rickenbacker, First

The Local Defence Volunteers were renamed the Home Guard, 1940. King Farouk of Egypt was deposed by General Neguib, 1952.

Mr Norman W. Ayles, educa-

The Prince of Wales, President, The Prince of Wales Business

Leaders Forum, this afternoon held a review meeting on business

partnerships with members of the

His Royal Highness, President, The Prince's Trust, this evening

attended the Tesco Charity Pro-Am Classic at the RAC Country Club.

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE July 22: Princess Alexandra, accompanied by the Hon Sir

Angus Ogilvy, this evening at-tended the St Dunstan's Reception

at the Residence of the Ambas-sador of the United States of

The International Association of

Dinner

Corporation of London Alderman Sir Brian Jenkins, Lord Mayor locum tenens, and Lady Jenkins received the guests at a dinner given by the Corporation of London last night at Guildhall to mark the occasion of the 1996 British Insurance Law Association London Colloquium. Sir Brian Jenkins and Sir Alexander Graham, President of the British Insurance Law Association, were the speakers. Among those present Nerve Lord Justice and Lady Evans, Lord Justice Saville, Lord Justice and Lady Policy and Lady

BY IAN MURRAY.

COMMUNITY CORRESPONDENT

AN 18th-century water mill could soon

be supplying electricity to the national grid as part of an ancient city's plans to

ease environmental pollution. It will be

the fourth time that the old building has

The mill spans the River Itchen at

Winchester and was built on the site of

St Mary's Abbey, a nunnery founded by

Alfred the Great's queen. The earliest

part of the existing building dates from

about 1700, although stones from the abbey were probably used to construct

Originally used to grind flour, the Abbey Mill was adapted at the end of the

18th century for use in the slik industry, with a thriving plant employing 300

been converted to new uses.

Thomas, Lord Justice and Lady Poller, Baroness Turner of Camden, Sir Denia and Lady Marshall, Alderman and Sheriff Sir Peter and Lady Lawine, Members of Billa, Members of Billa, Members of Billa, Members of Barlament, representatives of associated bodies and the Corporation of London Vinance Committee.

Appointments

Mrs Susan Wright and Mr Robert Michael Forrester to be District judges on the Northern Circuit.

Standing in the grounds of Abbey House, the stately mansion which has been the official residence of the mayors

Hidden behind a classical facade, the 18th-century water mill at Abbey Park, Winchester

Water mill turns the power on again

people, including women and children.

It later returned to use as a corn mill and

remained in private hands until it was

bought by the city in 1932.

of Winchester since the end of the last century, the industrial mill has been disguised behind a classical temple facade in keeping with the landscaped The machinery, still in working order

when the city bought the mill, has long since been removed to make way for offices. However, the control mechanism for the sluice and the turbine pit remain, making the task of reconversion to a working mill that much easier.

The city has just finished a feasibility study of installing water driven genera-

tors and is considering an option which would cost £36,000. This would produce around 10 kilowatts of electricity, sufficient to provide most of the power needed to run the council's environmental health and engineering departments,

whose 70 staff use the building.

At night and weekends the power generated could be switched into the grid for use in local electricity supplies. The estimated savings and income from selling the water-generated power would be around £3,000 a year, so the project would eventually pay for itself.

"We see this as an environmentally friendly energy source which is just standing idle," said Denise Lonsdale. one of the chief executive's staff. "If we can produce energy without using fossil fuels we are doing something positive to help stop global warming."

Church appointments

The Rev Elizabeth Bradley, Chaplain to Giris' Priendly Society in London Industrial Chaplaincy (London): to be Riverside Chaplain, South London Industrial Mission (Southwark). The Rev Jean Cornell, Assistant

Priest, Bishop's Cleeves to be Associate Minister (NSM). Winchcombe w Gretton, Sudeley Manor and Stanley Pontlarge (Gloucester). The Rev Michael Cross, Vicar.

Headingley: to be also Rural Dean The Rev Bryan Dixon, Assistant Curate, Beverley Minster: to be Assistant Curate, Kingston-upon-The Rev Nicholas Gosswinn, Team Vicar, Usworth Team Min-

istry: to be Priest-in-charge, Sunderland Red House St Cuthbert (Durham). The Rev David Guest, Vicar, East Rainton and Rector, West Rainton,

in plurality: to be also temporary Acting Rural Dean of Houghtonle-Spring (Durham). The Rev Gill Hall, Assistant Curate (NSM), Earby: to be Assis-

tant Curate (NSM), Hellifield and Gisburn (Bradford). The Rev Dr John Harker, Team Rector, Howden Team Ministry to be Priest-In-charge, Willerby w Ganton and Folkion (York). The Rev John Huckle, Commercial

Centre, based at St Peter's Church, (Southwell). The Rev Michael Johnson, for-

merly Chaplain to the Pilgrim Hospital, Boston (Lincoln): to be Team Vicir, Jarrow Team Ministry, w special responsibility for the Church of St John the Baptist, Perth Green (Durham). The Rev Vernon Lidstone, Christian Stewardship Adviser (Exeter):

to be Diocesan Officer for Parish Development (Gloucester).

The Rev Dennis Lumb, Priest-incharge, Theddlethorpe (Lincoln):
to be Resident Minister (NSM). Wombourne Team Ministry

The Rev Robert Magor, Assistant Curate, Plaistow Team Ministry: to be Team Vicar, Parish of the Divine Compassion, Plaistow and North Canning Town (Chemsford). (Chelmsford). The Rev Simon Mason, Assistant

be Team Vicar, parish of the Divine Compassion, Plaistow and North Caming Town (Cheims-The Rev Canon Tony Neal, Vicar, St Erth and Priest-in-charge,

Phillack w Gwithlan and Gwines and Hayle St Elwyn. Following pastoral reorganisation; to be Rector. Godrevy Team Ministry

Memorial service

Mr David Fryer
A service of thanksgiving for the
life and work of Mr David Fryer,
Secretary-General of the Royal Town Planning Institute, was held yesterday in the Chapel of the Order of the British Empire, St Paul's Cathedral. Canon John Halliburton, Chancellor, offici-ated, assisted by the Rev John Lees. The Rev David Cooke, Rector of Stone, Dinton and Hartwell, said

proyers.

Mr Ken Walker read the lesson. Sir Desmond Heap read John Betjeman's The Town Clerk's Views. Mr Michael Welbank gave

University news

Lord Owen, CH, will be installed as Chancellor of Liverpool Univeras chanceaur of Liverpoor Charles sity at the Philharmonic Hall on Thursday, when honorary degrees of Doctor of Laws will be conferred on Lord Callaghan of Cardiff, KG, and Mr Cyrus Vance, KBE. The following honorary degrees

will be conferred this week: Doctor of Laws: Sir David Alliance (chairman, Coats Viyella), Sir David Barnes (chairman, Zeneca). Professor Kevin Cahill (presiden and director, Centre for Inter-national Health and Cooperation, New York City), Mrs Anson Chan (Chief Secretary of the Hong Kong Government), Mr Derek Morris (former senior partner, Alsop Wil-kinson), and Mr Anthony Mould (Pro-Chancellor, Liverpool University).

Doctor of Science: Professor Sir Alan Battersby (Professor of Or-ganic Chemistry and Fellow Emer-itus, St Catharine's College, Cambridge) and Professor Ronald Oxburgh (Rector, Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine).

Doctor of Medicine: Professor Sir Harry Sin-Yang Fang (Ortho-paedic Surgeon, Hong Kong).

Drapers' Company The following have been elected officers of the Drapers' Company

for the ensuing year: Master, Vice Admiral Sir Geoffrey Dalton; Wardens, Sir Michael Craig-Cooper, Mr Nicholas Playne, Mr Philip Chalk and Mr David Handley.

Luncheon

Monday Luncheon Club Montay Lancipeus Crais
Sir Owen Green was the principal
guest at a luncheon of the Monday
Luncheon Club held yesterday at the
Savoy Hotel Mr Roland Shew.
chairman, presided.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr D.E.T. Ashworth and Miss J.F.A. Knapp The engagement is announced between Dominic, son of Mr and Mrs Edward Ashworth of Wimbledon, and Juliana, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs George Knapp, also of Wimbledon. Mr P.A.St C. Barrow

and Miss O.S. Smerdon The engagement is announced between Paul Achilles St Clair, son of Professor Robin Barrow, of Vancouver, and the late Mrs Hilary Mallinson, and Ondine Sasha, daughter of Mrs Smerdon and the late Mr John Smerdon, of Hollywood Mews, Chelsea.

Mr RJ. Evans
and Miss RJ. Mosley
The engagement is announced
between Richard John, son of Mr
and Mrs VJ. Evans, of Cwmbran, Gwent, and Rachel Jane, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs E. Mosley, of Bedale, North Yorkshire.

Mr M.J.W. Harrington and Miss K.M. Turnbuil The engagement is announced between Mike, younger son of Mrs Doreen Harrington, of Otter-bourne, Hampshire, and the late Mr Harry Harrington, and Katie, younger daughter of Mr Derek Turnbull, of ltteringham, Norfolk, and Mrs Prue Yates, of Westhall, Suffolk

Mr S. Mondai and Min H. Owen The engagement is announced between Subir (Tosh), only son at Mr and Mrs S.K. Mondal, of Clayhall, Ilford, Essex, and Helen, daughter of Professor and Mrs J. Owen, of Bangor, Gwynedd, North Wales.

Marriages

Mr W.J.C. Hemmings and Miss N.R.M. Blyth

and Miss N.R.M. Blyth
The marriage took place on July
20, at St Nicholas' Collegiare
Church, Gaiway, of Mr William
Hemmings, elder son of Mr and
Mrs Peter Hemmings, of Pasadena, California, and Miss
Natasha Blyth, youngest daughter
of the Hon Adrian and Mrs Blyth,
of Galway. The Very Revd Dr R.B.
MacCarthy officiated. MacCarthy officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Sarah Dunphy, Verena Biyth, Siobhan D'arcy, Siobhan Keamet, and Kearney and Keenan Fishwick. Mr Rupert Hemmings was best

Mr.S. Jones and Miss C.S. Irwin

The marriage took place on Sat-urday, July 13, at Christ Church, Winchester, between Mr Scott Jones, aon of Mr and Mrs B. Jones, and Miss Catherine Irwin, daugh-ter of Mr and Mrs M.StG. Irwin.

Latest wills

Count Ladwik Marin Lublesski, of Loodon SW15, Chief of the wartime Polish Military Mission. in Gibraltar, who escaped eath when he gave up his seat on a plane due to take the Polish Prime Gibraltar to London on July 3, 1943, and father of Rula Lenska, the actress, left estate valued at

E192.628 net. He left £500 to the J. Plirudaki Institute of Research, London Wd. and £300 to Medical Aid for Poland Fund.

Mrs Aima Lillian Pringle Mayorcas, of Ramsdell, Basingstoke, Hampshire, left estate valued at £2,249,591 net.

Other estates include (net before)

Mr Arthur William Barker, of Mickleover, Derbyshire., £702,936 Mr Stephen Walter Gould, of Ratcliffe Culey, Leicester-Margaret Housiray, of Criccleth, £1,326.147 Mrs Winifred Mary Jewitt, of Iver Heath, Buckinghamshire £709,535 Joan Harcourt Jones, of Gravshott, Hampshire..... E1,312,901 Mrs Vera Mace, of Winchcombe, Gloucestershire...... 6853,408 Mr Alan Gilbert Outles, of

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HIRTHS
ALDOUS - On 19th July 1996, to Amanda (née Joddan) and Christopher, a deutster, Sophie Camerine, a sister for Guy. Always remembering our darling
Rupert. RREESE - On Judy 10th 1996. to Codin (nec Cottum) and Simon. a son. Frederick
William Mounte.
RENT - On 21st July 1996 at Cheese & Westminster Hos- pital, to Noods and Jenses, a sampter, havened Eroles.
11th in Conserves, Reference, in research (see Collings) and David, a son, Alexander Microst David.

Portland Hospital, to Lisa and John Byrski, a handsome son. Sean, a women for Ern. CHRISTIE - On 17th July, lo Gus and Imo, twin boys, Jack and Romains.

DEMAINE - On July 19th 1996 at Derriford Hospital, Pyments to Annual Andy, a son. Oliver James, a handague brither for inco-

processor of the proces

Edward.

HTZALAH HOWARD - Co.

20th July at The Portland
Hospital, to Josephine (née
Jounners) and Richard, a son,
Frederick Peter, a brother
for Lydia and Artenna.

JAMEL JONES - On 23rd
June 1996, to Ana (née
Phillips) and Julian, a
daughter, Elle, a sister for
Rem and Lenis.

HARRES - On July 15th at The Portland Hospital, to Obtain (see Changler) and Sleven, a wonderful son, Barney Alexander.

JAEGER - On 19th July, to Consum the Henderby and Lars, a beautiful daughter, Charlotte Louise. KIENTSCH - On July 16th at The Portland Hospital, to Clare (Broadbept) and MARK - On July 19th, to Emma (née Barrington Browned and Patrick a min. MURAD - On July 13th at The Portland Hospital to Touteen Linjawi and Marwan a beautiful deughter, Lanza.

1996, to Sarah (née Lyster) and Michael, a daughter, Clementine Olympia. SIDI - On July 21st 1996, it Sarah (née Bloom) and Charles, a son, Adam Jack SKINNER - On July 17th of The Purtland Hospital, to Lisa Section and James A. III a daughter, Sophie Alexandra, a slater for Emile and James.

ST AUBYN - On 18th July 1996, to Author the Lumber and Michael, a daughter. The Portland Hospital. to Annabelle (née Adam) and Charles, a son. William James.

**AMANURO - On July 1975.

at The Portland Hospital, to
Eri and Tulson, a heastiful
belly boy. Yold.

DEATHS

BARKER - On 19th July at self-tord Hence Forums Home Battley, Hittle Elizabeth, without of Dockor P. Balles Berker and member of lan and Domes, Freeman of the City of Balletory, Mayor of the City of Balletory, Mayor of the City 1972-73. Private burist for innectate multi-policy only. A Memorial Bervice will be held on the 4th October 1996 at 2.30 pm in St. Thomas Church. Balletoury, Domesons is lieu of flowers and in memory of flowers and in memory of flowers and in memory of

Silinoury, Dommtons in their of flowers and in manners of Hidas Elizabeth would be greatly appreciated for the manner bloom that the flowers of Lin, Newman Ltd., F.D., Ortion Monae, 55 Windlesser Street, Salisbury, Williabeth, 1844AAM FOWELL - Study 21st diet on Sunday John 21st dec on Sunday July 21st penceruly. Funeral private. BEARD - On 18th July 1996 Steyning Bart T.D. Dunty loved husband of Yvonne and devoted father to Annabel and Catherine. Private cremation. Private cremation.
Thanksqiving Service at
Linesyedid Church, Green,
on Tuesday 30th July at
2pm. No Gowers. Donations. 2ptn. No flowers. Donations, if desired, to Lianspyddid Church or Care of the

Elderly, Brecon Hospital, c/o Peter Evans FD, Broomfield, Groenfordd, Brecon, Powys LD3 75W. at home on 20th July 1996, much level leaband of June and loving father and and foving father and promise probables. Funcing private Family flowers only. Donations may be made to the Hunt Berwants Benevolent Society at Paraloes Cattage. Bagemon. Ca.7 TDU or to The Injured Jecsesy Funs. Welvyn. ALT SNE. A Memorial Service to be amazingd.

BRETT - On 2 ist July 1996
peacefully in bospital
brigadier John (Bertie) Brutt,
late Royal Signals, dearly
loved husband of Jenn and
devoted father and
grandianer. Praseral Service
at St Michael's and Ali
Angels Church, Shalbourne
at 2.30 pm on Saturday 27th
July 1996. Family flowers
only. Donations if desired to
Macnolian Murser Sime of Cosamily Walter List. Funeral
Directors. Shalbourne.
Machogough. William'r SNS
SQO.

beatten - Dr Anthony P.H., beloved husband of Hisary, not of People and Hisary, and in Cardiff on July 20th. Densitions in memory of his life and work to the Haemophilia Outpatient Fund c/o Dr H. Desent. University Hammai of Wales. Heath Park. Cardiff, CF4 4XW.

1996 poacefully at Community Nursing Home. S Andrews Firms beloved wife of the late Edward write of the late Edward
Burrough and beloved
mother of Charles and the
limit John Funnal Guvice in
All Saints Church, North
Lade Street & Antran, on
Friday July 26th at 1,50 pm,
thereafter to Kirkcaidy
Crematorium for 3 pm,
Friends from the me
only intimation and

CHARLTON - On 19th July David James aged 65 Cdr. R.N. (Rtd) B.A. M.J.E.E. C.H.EVEL Hustone of Johnson of Johnson Bayler Home. Leckhampinn Court. after a short linest. Functal Service at Chelitenham Crenatorium 12 noon on Monday 29th July. No flowers by request. Donations to Sue Ryder Foundations to Sue Ryder Foundation may be sent c/o Meson 2 Stoker, 54 Hewist Road. Cheltenham, GL82 GAH,

CHILTON - Barbara, died SHILTOR - Barbara, died peacefully at Redwalls, bounder, Combine, on July 18th 1996. Devoted wife of the set Theo Carlos and much loved mother and grandmother, who will be addy missed but fondly remembered, Funeral at Comparer or penatrium of the set of remembered, Funeral at Charter Crematorium on Tourier 28th July 42 pm. Family flowers only, donations if desired to Campbill Village Trust. Botton. Enquiries to George Lightfoot. Witton Mews. Northwich. Cheshire, tel: 01606 42011/40240. DEATES

CHUBB - John Otiver Chubb
C.M.G., en July 19th,
pencefully in hospital Dearly
loved father of Julia Carre
and William and prond
grandfuldren. Funeral July
25th at the Church of St.
Peter and St. Paul.
Pennarah. Dea Samer at
2pm. Family Sowers only.
Domafers. I satiral to the
Royal Leaden Society for the
Blind. Enquiries to Ellis
Brothers (01797) 222294.

COWRE - Mervyn: Founder and part director of the Poynt Mallowal Peries of Kenya. en July 19th. aged 87 years. Pumeral en Thuradey July 25th. al. [pswich Cremetornum at 220 pm. EDSEDALE - Lt. Col. William Richard date December on Richard and Service at 51 Michael's Church. Aldhourne. on Thuraday 1st August at 5 pm. Family flowers only but decembers if decimal to the Portainen's December of the Church. Alchourne. Thuraday 1st August at 5 pm. Family flowers only but decembers if decimal to the Portainen's December of the Church. Alchourne. Seededy c/o Michael Promision Directors. 5 Codord Street, Ramebury, Marchonough. Williams.

EMERSON - On 19th July proceduly in Shafterbury Hospital. Ruby Edna "Emma" (ale line) aged 65 years for many of Montreal. loved and thanked wise, mother, grandmother and friend. Funeral at Selisbury Crematorium Monday 29th July 41 12 20 per Flowers of preferred donation to the Cancer Hellef Macmillan Fund c/o Bracher Bros... Gillingham, Dorset SPS 401.

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FASER) - Immon Friday 19m
July 1996 suddently but
peacefully at home in
Rodmell... Much loved
husband of Bernadette and
their soms David and Sean.
He will be sadly missed by
his lawdy, thence his many
golfing partners and
everyone from the village of
hisdmell. Funeral Service.
Timrelay 25th 16th 2.45 pe
at Rodmell Church followed
by private committan at
Woodvale Crematorium.
Family flowers only please
but densitions have been to
British Heart Foundation.
Tibule Giving Section, 14
Findending Brinet. Langen,
With 4DH.
FULFORD - Philip Devenald
on July 21st. Funeral at
Brent Pelham Church of

GRAY - On Tuesday, 18th July 1996, peacefully in Burwash, Audrey Mary Case M.B.E. dear daugher of the dae Cedi and Hilds Case Her fertilizes in recemberation will be recemberated with the recemberation of the Mary Her devoted family and many friends. Service at St. Bartholomew's Church. Burwash on Thursday 25th July at 3 pm followed by private cremation. Family flowers only please. flowers only please, donations if desired to Hospice in the Weald, c/o C Waterhouse & Sons, High Street, Burwach, E. St. Tel: (61420) 682219.

Royal Society of Chemists, of Cheriton Marshalf, in hospital in Dorset on 18th July in his 88th year. For Funeral arrangements contact Steven Parker on (01305) 788136.

RICKES - On 21st July. following a stroke. John Campden of Lesbury. Norwamberland. Dearway North Important. Design in the base of Rosis. Edward and latter of Rosis. Edward and Michael and grandfather of Motheriae. Morray and Times. Funcial Service of Et Morray Penne Charch. Lessay on Friday 26th July at 2 pm followed by private cremation. Family flowers only. Me letter become by

JAMESON - Olive Maud Hidma: Peacefully on 19th July aged 84. Much loved mother & Andony, Andrew. Graham and Carolyn. Grandmother and great-grandmother. Friend to many in Creat Mospatham and elsewhere far affeld. Funeral Service at St Marilin's Church, Great Mongeham at 2 pm on Mander 27th July, Adou-by cremation. No black pleade.

KER - Anne. On 21st Jub Rent - Anne. On 21st July pencerally in bogshid siter a short limess. Much loved mother and grandmother. Functed of 51 Duny Church. Sandord Display at 5 pm on Friday 26th July. Family flowers only please, but densitions to Action for Blast or their Course.

LAMBERT - Melanie, relict of Uvedale and much loved mother, grammother, grammo

McCUTCHAN Philip Donald. Author. Past Chairman of the Crime Withern Association. on July 20th 1996 in St Barnabes. Hospice after a short liness. Beloved and ioving husband of Elizabeth and adored father of Donald and Rosemary. Proud grandfather of Alloe, Grace. Many and Joanna. Family cremation. No Bowers but donaltons in his memory to the Missions to Seamen. Littlehampton. would be severaled. All conditions in Jordan and Cook Funeral Service. (01903) 232702.

NICOLSON - Sir David.
Lancaster - dearly loved
hashed of Berry and the less
Joan, father of Charles,
Victoria and Davina and
grandfather to Davina:
Andrew. From and Colle:
Amy. Tanin. Juliette and
Angus, very soddenly, on
19th July, Fungal service at
St Nicholas' Church, WeibsNext-the-Sea, Nortolk at
11.33 am on Thurway 25th

of Gemma. Philip and Lymey. Funeral Service of the Exeter and Devon Cremmerture of Friday 2011. July of 2.50 pm. No figures. Docations if Online Heater. Dryden Road, Exeter, Devon.

MORGAN - Gareth very suddenly in Chicago on 18th July 1996, Humbend of Journ, faither of Helen. Candia and Daniel. Grandfather of Matthew, Andrew and Entity. Professor of Classics it the University of Texts at Austin. Donations, if desired, to the Association for the Reform of Lutin Teaching. C/O Hillary Walters, 16. Dunster Road, West Isringsford, Nothingham.

Angus, very suddenly, on 19th July, Pumeral service at St Nicholas' Church, Webs-Next-the-Sea, Norfolk at 11.30 am on Thursday 25th July, followed by a private burial at Dunsfold, Family flowers only, but donations in Heu if desired to the King Ceorge's Fund for Saltors C/o S.T. Sutton, Burnt Street, Wella-Next-the-Sea, Nicrolk, Mannortal service in London to be announced lause.

POOLEY - Cdr. Thomas Edward OBE. Peacetally at Bordean House on Friday 19th July. Beloved husband of the late Pamels and loving father of Michael, Sabrina and Richard, grandfather, and great-grandfather, Pamels of West Meson Furthin Church at 2.30 pm on Thursday in August, Family Howers only. Donations

PHIPSON - Pro. or 22nd July 1996 aged 91, peacefully. Much loved with happy memories. Funeral at St Swithun's Church, East Crimted, on Priday 25th Grinstend. on Priday 26th July at 12,30' pm. All Wilcome.

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VALENTINE - Suddenly on Wednesday July 17th 1996 Inn Andrew Harben, much loved uncle and great-uncle. Pumeral Service at Dundee Crematorium on Thursday July 25th at 12 noon. Family Bowers only.

WATSON - Dr. Colin Edward died on Friday July 19th. Cremation at Aldershot on Wednesday July 24th at 12.30 pm. Enquiries (01282)

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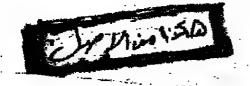
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Gerald McArthur, MBE, Assistant Chief Constable of Hertfordshire. 1965-69, died on July 21 aged 80. He was born on May 28, 1916.

A SOFT-spoken Welshman with a reputation for meticulous attention to detail. Gerald McArthur headed two of the biggest criminal investigations which this century has known. It was he who led inquiries into the notorious Great Train Robbery - one of the biggest and most audacious robberies in criminal history — and into the brutal workings of the Richardson brothers who used fear and violence to hold their network of crime in place.

The Great Train Robbery took place on August 8, 1963, when a gang of highly organised thieves stopped a Royal Mail train and, cudgelling the engine driver over the head, stole mailbags containing an estimated £2.6 million in unmarked notes. "I can remember emptying those Post Office sacks and seeing money flying about in front of my eyes," said Ronnie Biggs, one of the robbers who now lives a life of exile in Brazil.

The raid was carried out in thick fog in the early hours of the morning. It was still dark when the gang stashed the last of the 127 mailbags into a furniture van and headed for the nearby Leatherslade Farm where they intended to lie low for several weeks. But McArthur scared them out of their hideout when he made a public statement that he was certain that the robbers' bolthole was within 30 miles of the ambush spot. They panicked and made a run for it, leaving tell-tale fingerprints behind them.

The members of the 12-man gang were later jailed for a total of 300 years. But in 1975 two of them, James White and Ronald "Buster" Edwards, were given early release. Despite the fact that most of the money was never recovered, McArthur felt no vindictiveness towards them: "Everybody involved should now be free. It's time the Great Train Robbery business came to end. It's not only grown whiskers - it's grown a beard.

McArthur followed this case up with another, perhaps even greater, success when he drew a net around the empire of organised crime built up by Charles and Eddie Richardson. In 1964 he had been posted to Hertfordshire. It was a time when crime in Britain had begun to assume a dangerous new pattern of unprecedented brutality. Witnesses were being terrorised into refusing to testify, juries were being tampered with. A relaxation of gambling laws and the legislation of one-armed bandit machines had led to a rapacious

rise in protection racketeering.
McArthur, as head of the No 5 regional crime squad, was approached by a scared witness, a victim of the

GERALD MCARTHUR



Gerald McArthur (third from left) at the time of the Great Train Robbery

Richardsons' brutality, who refused to give information to anyone but him he was viewed by the underworld as a man who would always give a fair deal. With a small team of CID men set up in October 1965 McArthur started investigations into what he had been told. For many months he and a force of detectives — nicknamed. "McArthur's Private Army" — laboriously unearthed their evidence. He worked around the clock, not even returning home for his wedding anniversary. He even moved his family into an Aylesbury hotel to be with them for Christmas instead of spending it at home. Gradually he uncovered a network of crime whose tentacles seemed to spread throughout the local

community. Then, on July 30, 1966, on the eve of a World Cup Final, detectives swooped. They made simultaneous raids on homes throughout southeast England and the Richardson brothers and several members of their gang were

apprehended. The trial which followed was one of the longest and most complicated in the history of Britain's criminal courts. It became known as "the torture case" involving as it did ugly allegations of mock trials, back-room beatings, blackmail and terrorism. When it finally came to a close on June 8, 1967. it was regarded as a great victory for the forces of law and order.

McArthur was awarded the Oueens Police Medal in 1966 and appointed MBE in 1968.

Gerald Elwyn McArthur first joined the Metropolitan Police Force in 1935 and, after duty as a detective constable was posted to the Commissioner's Office (Central Office) in 1941.

During the war he joined the RAF, rising to the rank of flight lieutenant. But in 1946 he returned to the police. After a further year in the Commissioner's Office, he was transferred to the company fraud branch.

Successive promotions followed to detective sergeant, detective inspector and then detective chief inspector. In 1963 he was was appointed detective superintendent and promoted to Scotland Yard's murder squad. But he was never to be sent out on a murder case. Within days of his appointment the Great Train Robbery occurred, and McArthur was the first Met Officer to be sent to Aylesbury to assist the Buckinghamshire police with its investigations. He was to remain on the case for nine months

In 1964 McArthur was chosen for the first top CID job outside London to be offered to policemen of other forces. He became chief superintendent in charge of Hertfordshire CID, and the next year he was promoted to be district coordinator of No 5 Regional Crime Squad. It was in this position that he found himself leading investigations.

which led to the apprehension of the Richardson brothers.

But McArthur was not a man to rest on his laurels. The next year he headed investigations which culminated in alarming evidence that police were being bribed or blackmailed by gangsters. According to allegations, the police were helping gangsters by the passing of confidential papers, including criminal records, or by the suppression of evidence and coercion of vitnesses. An inquiry was ordered by Sir Joseph Simpson, the Metropolitan Commissioner of Police.

Another notorious case which McArthur worked on was that of the 1966 London Airport car park fraud involving, among others "Mad Frankie" Fraser, in this massive conspiracy whose proceeds financed a crimina empire, tariffs in London Airport's multi-storey car park were systematically fiddled. Nearly \$1,000 would be taken on one shift alone.

-Another of McArthur's successes was "Exercise Rut Trap" which in-volved sealing off all the exits of the MI in order to catal long hijackers. However, in 1969, in what was said

to be part of a lamentable "brain drain" from the police force, McArthur left to take a post as a security adviser to the Tobacco Advisory Council, He retired from this post in 1975. He is survived by his wife and two

The Rev Father Laurence Jence, the Roman Catholic priest to was held hostage in Chicago of July 19 aged 61. He was born in Joliet

Service Jenco went hangin Relief Services open-ion in the War-tone trivy he new har form charger. Plans and there was every sign that the Muslim factions were laten on drawing all foreigners

from the country.

As a Roman Catholic priess. Jenco stood at the additional risk of being identified with the Maronite Christians who were engaged in a power struggle with the Muslims. In fact, though, his principal mission was to help the Palestinian refugees in West Beirut, after their camps had been destroyed by the Israelis during the 1982 invasion. Not that this did him much good. On January 8, 1985, when he had been in Beirut for only three months, Jeneo's car was surrounded by eight armed gunmen of the Islamic Jihad as he drove to work and he was

taken into captivity.

It was a gruelling ordeal,
which was to last for 394 days. For six months he was kept in solitary confinement, then shared a 12ft by 15ft cell with three other American hostages: a journalist Terry Anderson, a hospital administrator David Jacobsen and a university dean Thomas Sutherland. In his 1995 book about the experience. Bound to Forgive — the Pilgrimage to Reconciliation of a Beirut Hostage, Jenco recounted how he kept track of time by marking the days with salivain the dust of his prison walls and recorded the months with knots in a potato sack. His guards were sometimes brutal, sometimes gentle. Once they laced his body with explosives; three times they told him he was about to be released, only to dash his

hones hours later, telling him

Lawrence Jenco (left) with Robert Runcie (centre)

and Terry Waite at Lambeth Palace

forgiveness," he wrote. "I forgive, but I remember. I do not lorget the pain, the loneliness. the ache, the terrible injustice." His faith never wavered. but he was not the stuff of which martyrs are made. "I'm not Job," Jenco admitted praying, "I want to go home now."
Jenco and his fellow prison-

ers, whose capture had aroused widespread anger in the United States, were to become unwitting figures in the "arms-for-hostages" scan-dal, during which the Reagan Administration broke its own rules by supplying arms to Iran with the complicity of

Jenco, who had a long history of heart ailments, was released by his captors on July 26, 1986, because, they said, his health was worsening. He was found wandering along on a road in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley and taken to Damasit had been a joke.

"I don't believe that forgething is one of the signs of eye infection. He came to

affect his relatively straight-forward democratic political

views. But it did consolidate

ican prisoner of war camp.

The family tragedy when his

mother and the family's exten-

sive book collection perished together in the same bombing

London, where he was greeted by Terry Waite, who had not yet himself been kidnapped, and received by Dr Robert Runcie, the then Archbishop of Canterbury, at Lambeth Palace. On his return to the United States Jenco lost no time in contacting the families. of the hostages he had left behind in captivity.

Lawrence Martin Jenco was ordained priest in the Servite Order in 1959, after studying at Mount Carmel College in Canada, the St Joseph Seminary in St Charles, Illinois, and in Rome. He spent 25 years working with the poor and the mentally and physically handicapped in Yemen, Thailand and India, before taking up his post in Beirut. After his release he became campus chaplain at the University of Southern California. and was latterly an associate priest at a church in the Chicago suburbs.

He is survived by two brothers and two sisters.

PETER LUDWIG

daughters.

Peter Ludwig, art collector, died yesterday aged 71. He was born on July 9, 1925.

PETER LUDWIG owned one of the largest privately

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example, who enjoyed hang-ing pictures on the walls of his homes himself, and showing

amassed art collections in the theatrical flourish - Ludwig world. Unlike better known displayed a quasi-scientific apart patrons - Paul Mellon, for proach to collecting, and a monastic aversion to the limelight. Most of his works were donated to a series of art. them off to visitors with a galleries in Germany which

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paid for the privilege by naming their buildings after him. Ludwig was a business-man who had refined the art of collecting paintings down to a rational economic equation:

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cheap and in bulk, then watch their market value rise. buy paintings by unknowns,

Ludwig was one of the greatest patrons of American Pop Art in the mid-1960s, not something for which he was much respected in the art world of the time, although subsequently these were revealed to be astute purchases. Indeed, some considered that he created the Pop Art market. A story among collectors cir-culated that, when Jasper Johns met Ludwig years later, he asked him why he no longer bought his pasatings. "I can't, they're too expensive", came the response. "You made

them expensive." Johns shot back. "You were the first to boy them."

Despite his generosity, Ludwig was not universally re-

wig was not universally regarded in Germany as a great and good benefactor. Some of the amipadhy towards him had to do with his cariny business dealings. One youthreak of hostility occurred when he commissioned "Artio" Breker, the official significant portrait busts of him and his wife Irene. Those who had onevis.

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which nothing good had

emerged. Ludwig's aims of opening in Germany and his privite personality were curiously at odds. He was a tall man perenally dressed in an unstylish business, suit (for his role as head of a German. chocolaite factory), who pre-ferred to be addressed as Herr. Professor, and who appeared simultaneously, introverted and arrogant. This alconess, a and a certain intribulity with interviewers, saw to it that his

his belief in committing himself wholeheartedly, even a little fanatically, to projects. He was drafted into the Wehrmacht at the age of 17; captured and sent to an Amer-

> raid affected him deeply. He studied law at Bonn, then switched to archaeology and art history. Later, at Mainz, he met his wife Irene, also an historian, who came from the Leonard Monheim chocolate dynasty. Ludwig wrote an appreciative doctoral thesis on Picasso, which was considered radical at the time since Picasso had taken such a public stand against the Nazis. Ludwig married Irene in 1951, and began collecting in earnest to begin with antique porcelain and Delft tiles. He took over his wife's family chocolate business in Aachen in 1952, which was later re-

Ludwig decided to lend the pictures to museums, and to impose his taste on the nation. for the public good.

Ludwig met curators and. museum directors, ascered, and went about filling in " the gaps. The ethnology museum at Cologne, for example, was presented with gorgeous; examples of gold and terracor-ta pre-Colombian pieces. He traded behind the Iron Curtain, facilitating the movement. of paintings from East to West, and vice versa. He was the driving force behind several of the museums of modern art which sprang up across Europe. His own taste was not easy.

to define. There was a collection of East German art which was considered fairly risible by other collectors. But Ludwig was probably more inter-ested in influencing the policies of museums, than in the aesthetics of the works he owned. These had brought him seats on the boards, and a vicarious immortality through the addition of the Ludwig name to the museum's title. Power rather than a real passion for art was probably. at the bottom of his hobby, and he was rewarded for his work with numerous medals, awards and honorary doctorates. As a businessman, he sold off much of the company during the mid-1980s, but controlled the main company until his death. He is survived by his wife

Irene.

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kinds and to create demands for music of real quality as well as amply satisfying already existing demands...

The gramophone in every school in the country" would be a great opportunity for listeners, but it would be unsafe to argue that because you can do nothing with a gramo-phone categor listen to it that therefore it would automatically create a race of listeners. Listening to music, as distinguished from just lieuring it going on, is not altogether a simple matter; it has its technique like everything else, and hitherto the technique of listening has been taught in conjunction with the act of

making music of some kind. In this country

especially, the best listeners are always the people who have tried themselves to make music, the people who have sung in choirs or scraped a fiddle in an amateur orchestra. Their listening powers have been stimulated by their efforts to overcome the inefficiencies of their actions. The love of doing something is the very essence of such aptitude for music as this nation possesses. The efforts of the amateur pianist may be painful, but one has only to go to Queen's Hall on a Saturday when Lamond or Moiseiwitsch is playing to realize how the piano has made listeners...

If listening to perfect gramophone records of great works were substituted for the instrumental and vocal contortions of the schoolroom we should be saved a lot of bad music, but it is not so certain that the listening faculties of young people would be equally stimulated. Nothing is so disastrous to the listening faculty as the merely passive hearing of music. Some stimulus equally powerful with the primitive desire to do something must be exerted if the gramophone is to be the real school for listeners in the future which it ought to be. All sorts of ideas have been put forward. In schools the records would naturally be accompanied by some explanation and description from the teacher, and classes of what is called "musical appreciation" are alrady frequently conducted in this way . . .

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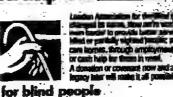
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M&H a hit with batsmen

David Askham on the workshop behind

many a famous

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ummer days and the sound of leather on willow lift hearts in a young business in Taunton, Somerset. Millichamp & Hall has made a name for itself among cricketers worldwide. Many international players buy the business's unique cricket bats direct from it. The former Test stars Ian Botham

and Viv Richards and the record

run-maker Brian Lara have used

M&H bats, recognising the care taken to match the bat's weight and

balance for perfect play. Julian Millichamp and Jonathan Hall were working in New Zealand when they identified a niche market for top-quality hand-made cricket bats. They launched the business in 1987. Mr Millichamp had the rare craft skills and Mr Hall handled marketing. In 1990, a third partner, Henry Gresswell, brought accounting and administrative skills to the growing business.

Recognising the seasonal nature of cricket, they started to make bats in Australia before setting up a second workship in the UK, near Taunton. There followed a hectic schedule with the flying bat-makers spending six months of the year in Australia and six in Somerset. At the same time, they had to recruit and train podshavers, or bat-makers, to



Jonathan Hali, James Laver, senior bat-maker, and Henry Gresswell at M&H's Taunton workshop

wide. It takes two years to train a competent bat-maker.

A few months ago, M&H decided to sell its Australian operation, to Puma, the Australian-based international sports equipment company, and to consolidate its position in the UK. Mr Millichamp was obliged to stay in Australia, as part

Early this year the business was moved from the Somerset country-

keep up with rising demand world- side to the county cricket ground in Taunton. It now has a half-share in the impressive cricket shop there, which enhances its image and sales. The business has also diversified, and now markets, directly, a wide range of cricket clothing and equipment, as well as the nowfamous M&H bats. Top of the range is the "Harlequin" bat,

> Direct mailing of a yearly catalogue takes marketing to end-users.

and a follow-up brought unexpect ed pre-Christmas business at a slack time of year. M&H tries to offer all-British goods, but some are made to its order in the Far East. Some bat-making processes have been simplified with tools developed

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The project was conceived by David Williams, an Anglesey farmer. He had read about Quinoa, a grain that grows naturally on the Andean slopes, which can be developed into a meat substitute, and he was determined to capitalise on its potential.

To do so, he needed partnerships with academic institutions in the UK and farming colleagues in Europe. He came across a yoghurt-making farmer from Co Wicklow in Ireland, a Danish farmer and a Greek fish farmer from Arta. The Greek participant is crucial. "It is on his land that we will grow the Quinoa in Europe because Greece has the dry climate that it needs to thrive," Mr Williams said.

The research project is due to last two years. It is expected that the new meat substitute will be ready for the marketplace by the end of it. The plan is that eventually it will be

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Quinoa is Mr Williams's largest nutritional venture. Nine years ago he began diversifying into making cheese and yoghurt and non-dairy products at his 300-acre Plas Farm at Lianfaelog. "We have also developed a cheese made from Brazil nuts instead of milk for people suffering from milk allergies," he said. "That is distributed to health shops, but most of our foodstuffs

are sold locally."

Diversification has led to the creation of eight jobs for locals in converted outbuildings on the farm. More work will come to the area if the grain-based sausage lives up to expectation.



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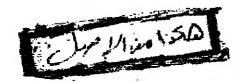
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The human side of a call centre

Annie Turner introduces a three-page special report on Britain's teleculture

he UK has one of the most liberalised telecommunications markets in the world, with more than 150 licensed operators jockeying for marketshare. According to the watchdog Oftel, the cust of using telephones (including line rental) has fallen by 44 per cent in real terms since 1984 when Mercury began operations, and customer shaving a competitive telecommunications industry which itself is worth around £20 billion a year.

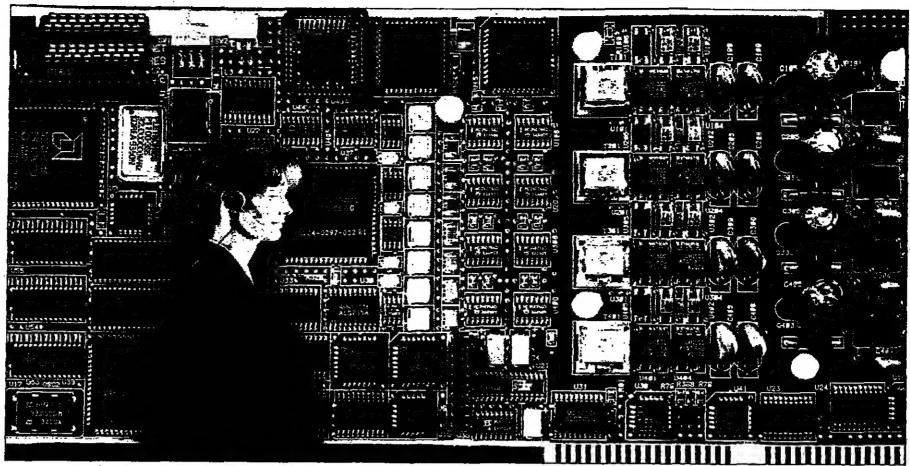
The Henley Centre has just published a report (commissioned by BT) called Teleculture Futures which estimates that 50 per cent of us are already telephiles — those who enjoy conducting business over the phone, using it as their preferred means for buying goods. Apparently 15 million Britons are particularly happy buying holidays, books and CDs on the phone, while 1.3 million even prefer to take out a mortgage or buy a new car that way

Telecommunications are used in a variety of ways by companies to make our purchases and inquiries easier and cheaper to deal with. There are any number of bureaux which operate call centres to handle queries and orders on behalf of third parties. So, for example, when callers dial the number given in an

advertisement expecting to speak to an employee of that company, in fact their calls are answered by a bureau agent working from a carefully prepared script owering a particular promotional/advertising campaign. The correct script automatically appears in front of the agent, triggered by the number the caller dialled; agents might handle calls responding to several campaigns at any given time.

There are drawbacks. All ton often organisations seem to be thinking more in terms of saving time and money rather than the wishes (and frustrations) of their customers. The Henley Centre claims that last year 18.2 million customers were lost to large retail, banking, travel and leisure organisations because of poor telephone services. It further notes that almost nine out of ten customers who experience a badly handled call would prefer to stop dealing with the offending organisation.

Melanie Howard, of the Henley Centre, says: "Most companies are still treating telephone customer contact as a bolt-on rather than a core strategy, but for those firms who are making a good job of it, the rewards are enormous." The report estimates that more than 11.4 million customers recommend a company's service to other prospective customers last year as a result of being pleased with good tele-



Dialogic call processing technology is used by many call centres to route calls to agents and integrate telephone and computing systems

phone service.

Peter Durdoy, product manager with Versatility, a call centre equipment supplier, says that his company recommends that callers should always have access to an operator when it is clear that the nature of their query will need human intervention, not a list of

press for" options.

Mr Dordoy points out that until a few years ago many people would hang up rather than leave a message on an answering machine. Now, both for consumers and business, answer machines and voice mail are commonplace because people are far less self-conscious than they were. They see voice mail as an efficient way of leaving a message. He believes that

all of us will become increasingly relaxed about interacting with automated voice machines. The Henley Centre's report found that 60 per cent of people who had experienced using interactive voice response (IVR) were comfortable with it. Apparently among younger people, this rose to 83 per cent of men and 72 per cent of women.

Having operators answering the telephone in the first place can sometimes be the most efficient way to exploit technology. Mr Dordoy says. For example, Versatility installed a call centre in Spain for AirTel, a digital mobile phone network operator. All queries are channelled (via a single number) to two call centres in Madrid and Barcelona. As the nature of the calls

can be so diverse, the operator answers the call and then decides the best way to deal with it, having immediate access to six or seven systems.

he choices presented to a caller should be as simple as possible so that they can navigate their way through the system quickly and painlessly. "A caller who gets what he or she wants quickly is a happy caller." Mr Dordoy says. "People should not feel trapped; at their bould not feel trapped; at their should be the fastest way of routing people to where they want to be."

should be the fastest way of routing people to where they want to be." On this basis, the Henley report suggests that for simple applications, many companies are not making the most of IVR's potential. It is not a good means of handling complaints, but South West Electricity Board successfully installed such a system from Syntelled to speed up the collection of meter readings after it was discovered that almost 10 per cent of calls to SWEB's local call centres were from customers wanting to provide feedback about estimated readings. The system handles around 3,000 calls a week and in addition to saving operator time has radically reduced the number of bills that need to be resent.

Finally, a real benefit of call centres is that they do not necessarily have to be located near a company's core operation, but rather can be established anywhere

there is the infrastructure and a suitable workforce to support them. For example, Merseyside Develop-ment Corporation, which was set up to regenerate 865 acres of derelict and underused docklands on both sides of the river Mersey, has turned what was a wasteland into a hot-bed of call centres employing more than 1,500 people. Littlewoods, based at the Albert Dock, conducts 90 per cent of its business by phone. As part of the UK's burgeoning love affair with the telephone, it seems call centres are destined to go from strength to strength. Let's hope that those companies which implement the technology badly, enraging their customers. learn from

How the phone firms keep fraud off the line

raud costs the mobile telephone industry roughly £100 million a year in Britain; in Vodafone, for example, it amounted to 1 per cent of turnover in 1994/95.

The most common scam is subscription fraud, when a person takes out a service with no intention of paying the bill. With GSM — digital — telephones, however, criminal subscribers take up a fully roaming service on a Friday. then move rapidly into another country or region where they can make calls on another service provider's system, in the knowledge that none of the details will reach the host service provider's computers before Monday. At that point they can simply discard or sell the SIM card (a personalised smart card that gives every digital phone a

unique identity).

Some crimes are completely specific to mobile phones. Orange's original offer to tempt customers to its PCN service was that you could pick up the phone, take it home and, once the battery was charged, simply call up Orange to become connected.

John Stansell

on why mobiles

are so popular with criminals

The trouble was that people picked up the highly subsidised phone, and simply sold it on for a profit. Now, Orange's connections are done

in the shop.

The most common forms of mobile-phone crime, however, are either direct theft — between 12,000 and 15,000 mobiles are stolen every month — or, with the analogue sets, "cloning" — the process by which a criminal discovers someone's analogue number using a special scanner and then uses it to sell call time on

that number.

Although nobody has yet cloned a GSM phone the handset is capable of being simply tailored for any customer by inserting a valid SIM card. In other words, a fraudster can acquire a digital phone, put a functional SIM card in it and sell it on for a

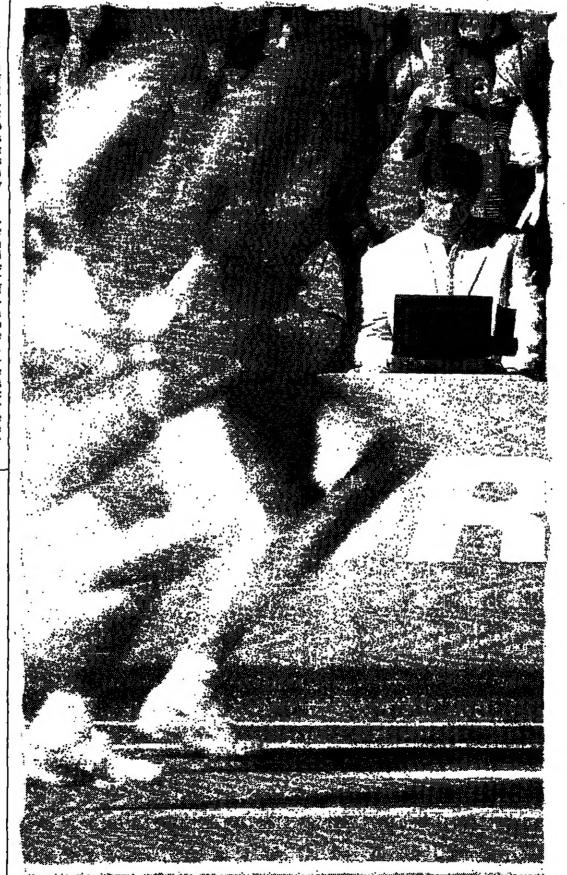
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Cloning has been stamped on by both British operators of analogue mobiles, Cellnet and Vodafone. Gary Bernstein, head of corporate security at Cellnet, says that there is no evidence that anybody has broken the coding system built in to a SIM card. Fraudsters have, however, succeeded in altering the electronic identity of GSM handsets.

nother scam, however, involves ruthless phone dealers who sell on your numbers to the so-called sub-dealers after they have sold you the phone. To counter such fraud, the Federation of Communication Services established earlier this year a crime prevention scheme to check on dealers and to ensure that they conform to the rules.

A Cellphone security specialists, says Mr Bernstein, are facing a continuously moving target. There is never a static problem to solve. No sooner have they closed one loophole than another one opens. The problem requires them to be constantly vigilant.

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Striking gold with a personalised number

Annie Turner reports on the trend towards tailoring

a telephone number to suit a particular business

Telephone numbers may not be very exciting but the way they are being used and allocated is big business. Howard Sandom, BT's head of telemarketing communications, says there has already been a scramble among larger companies to secure the rights to certain number combinations in preparation for the reintroduction of alpha-numeric dialling codes. Vauxhall, for example, recently launched a successful campaign inviting prospective customers to dial VECTRA.

Mr Sandom acknowledges that alpha-numeric codes will not reach their full potential "before the turn of the century which is when, at the rate people are currently replacing their phones, 80 per cent of domestic phones will have alpha-numeric keys". But he says their impact by then will be colossal — "whoever owns the right to use 0800 TAXI or FLOWERS or BEER, say, will do very well out of it". The codes are in short supply, however, as the numbers of because each number key has

In the meantime BT is doing a roaring trade in "golden" -easily remembered - numbers. For example, First Direct opted for 0800 24 24 24 to underline its constant availability while Bupa's dental service chose 0800 230 230 (tooth hurty). Scottish Widows' uses 0345 6789 10 because it

advertises a lot on radio. Mr Sandom insists that these numbers are of great value to business, which is just as well as BT will charge £300 per quarter rental for the use of golden number while ordinary 0800 numbers cost £50 a direct result of the Forte Hotel Group having centralised information about its 280 hotels available on 0800 40 40 40 (business) and 0345 40 40 40 (leisure), the inquiry-tosales ratio rose from 25 to 40

We seem to have an increasing appetite for using such numbers. A report, Teleculture Futures, ordered by BT and just published by the Henley Centre, shows that the use of 0800 or 0345 numbers is growing increasingly popular. Last year we collectively made 737 million such calls. The Centre predicts that by 2000 this figure will have doubled.



The public has so far demonstrated rather less enthusiasm for "care-line" numbers on supermarket goods. In the US more than 30 per cent of supermarket goods have careline numbers. Mr Sandom says: "That kind of accessibility is expected and if a complaint is dealt with successfully, then the complainant usually turns into a very loyal customer." He believes that they will become increasingly important as more people become aware of them and as companies learn

been slow to address the expense and disruption associated with changing telephone numbers and to accommodate changing work patterns, such as the rise of teleworking. BT and the regulator Oftel's wrangle over who should bear the cost of implementing number portability (that is allowing a subscriber to keep the

same number regardless of same number regard(ess of which operator they use) was only settled earlier this year amid allegations that BT had deliberately dragged the proceedings out to disadvantage the cable telephony operators.

Similarly, BT and the other operators could do much to operators could do much to improve call-divert services, making it possible to call a

person rather than just his or

her phone. BT offers such a

service but subscribers have to

be at their "home base" to

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tion, and pay for the diverted Phone companies seem to have taken the line that they can charge high premiums for facilities that people attached to switchboards at work have used for years; consumers have stoutly resisted. As one analyst commented: "It seems a shame that operators are not content to ask a nominal fee, bearing in mind the extra revenue they

would generate by extra calls." This has created a niche for companies such as Flextel which for a £149 connection fee plus £36 per year service will allocate two numbers per line to personal subscribers, allowing two members of a household to have separate callforwarding arrangements. They can then reroute calls and faxes from any telephone.

Keep your ears open

call someone from your car, and being law-abiding you remember that you shouldn't call when driving. What do you do if you haven't

Later, during your first meeting of the day, the phone trills, stopping the discussion dead. The chief executive glares at you. Red-faced, you excuse yourself, and rush outside. How could you have avoided the embarrassment? During the lunch break, you would

like to fax to your office some notes from your meetings that you have summarised on your laptop computer. But your computer does not have a modern that ties in with your mobile or the ordinary telephone system. Could you have got round this?

And while in your last meeting of the

day, the low battery warning message comes up as you are about to warn your spouse that dinner will have to be postponed. How could you have preented this?

There are solutions for each of these occasions. In the first, a speaker that can overpower the road noise and a television-type microphone tucked dis-creetly into the trim by the driver's front door pillar would have solved the problem. In the second, use of the voice-mail service, or an option on many mobiles that causes the phone to shake silently rather than trill would have spared your blushes.

Many of the more advanced mobile phones are now listed as "data-compatible", which means that if you have a suitable modern on your laptop you could send the notes by fax or email over the cellular network to anywhere in the world, or even surf the internet. And finally, the traditional way of avoiding a low battery (aside from the spare) is to use an external power source whenever possible. In the car you can plug into the lighter socket.

These solutions come under the

classification of accessories and are important to service providers and phone manufacturers alike. For the former, they encourage the use of more telephone time — the prime source of their revenues. For the manufacturers they are both a potential sales boost for the phones and a major source of revenue, as long as the quality is as good as the original phone.

Accessories can turn your phone into a fax, e-mail and news bureau, says John Stansell



for Motorola, says, "We have concerns about some accessory makers that their accelerated ageing tests do not come up to our standards. It is not a minor thing, because the accessories have a great effect on how well the users perceive the product performs."

She argues that the usefulness of mobile phones has been significantly enhanced by recent innovations - the major ones are currently available only on Motorola's latest and most expensive handset - the StarTac wearable cellphone. One is a combined earpiece and microphone that means the phone can be used hands-free at any time, and the other is a built-in standby battery which she says "makes irrelevant the industry's hang-up with battery lifetimes.

StarTac is itself something of a novelty. So small that it can fit easily into a shirt pocket, it weighs just 91g with a standard battery. It has the usual range of features found on the latest cellphones, but is believed to be the first that comes with a headset not specifically aimed at use in a car. This comprises an earpiece similar to those used with personal stereos, and a sensitive microphone built into the cord that hangs near the throat when worn. A GSM version at an astonishing £1,900 is due out after Christmas. The other recent innovation from

Motorola is a PCMCIA modern, the

CELLect 2 PC-card, that uses comprescellect 2 PC-card, that uses compression technology to boost the speed of data transmission to 36,000 bits per second from the current conventional top speed of 9,600 bps.

All phones used on the Orange network can now be equipped with accessories from Ora. Its products

range from sophisticated chargers and leather holsters to hands-free systems and in-car boosters. Ora's in-car charge cradle holds the phone while in the car, and the vehicle's battery

Ora's accessories are widely listed by most service providers, and by some manufacturers alongside their own products. One of the most unusual innovations is Airmail, a new service that allows you to display electronic mail on the screen of your mobile telephone without the need for a modern or a connected computer.

Based on the Short Message Service (SMS) available on most modern phones (which is in effect a built-in message pager), the service can work with any digital system, whether in the UK or overseas via the GSM network. Vodasone Celinet and Orange customers can currently use it and One-2-One customers are expected to join soon.

ubscribers get an "airmail box" whose address you hand od or you can forward messages to it from your conventional email address. You can send and receive e-mails as you would with conventional SMS messages, with the difference that they start or finish on the e-mail network rather than a pager environment, Developed by Dynamical Sys-tems Research, of Kensington in London, the service costs £10 per month with a one-off £25 connection fee and the usual SMS charge of 10p per message. DSR plans to add interactive information services in the next few months - ranging from lottery numbers on Saturday nights to sports results and news clips.

Phone and accessory makers have also turned to the purely cosmetic. Both Ora and Motorola offer fascias that make the front of your phone look different. Ora calls its fascias Facelifts and the disposable self-adhesive covers come in a variety of colours. Motorola's Fashion Faces overlay the keypad, with images relating to events such as Euro

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The leaders in the race to produce phones and computers so small that they will be worn rather than carried are mainly in Japan, using a new wireless phone system introduced there two years ago but so far little known in the West - called the Personal Handyohone System or PHS. The PHS technology is

similar to the CT2 system used in the disastrous Rabbit 'phone box in your pocket" network that was tried and failed in Britain. The main difference is that PHS users can receive calls as well as make them, but they still cannot move at more than about 10mph, making PHS carphones impossible.

The big advantage of PHS is that the radio part of the handset can be made very

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small and cheap, allowing it to be incorporated in a wide variety of pocket devices.

NTT announced a wristwatch phone last month that recognises voice commands to dial, so a keypad is not necessary. Sharp has developed a digital diary with a touch sensitive screen, so the user can write messages on it and transmit them back to the office over a built-in PHS link. So, if PHS is so wonderful

There are no plans to introduce such a system into Europe, which is almost totally committed to the GSM digital standard.

why can't we have it?

Europe and similar pocket data products Japan are racing will be on the market using the GSM standard very soon.

"You will find things like that this time next year," he predicts. "We have gone through a steep learning curve with GSM, and the new generation of silicon chips uses half the power of the current technology."

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of only are the makers of the GSM-based system system catching up rapidly with miniature products, but PHS may itself be in

Although nearly 1.5 million people have signed up, the 'pedestrian only' limitation and higher-than-expected hardware costs and call charges are limiting future growth. PHS also has a new competitor — full specification carphone systems are only now being introduced in Japan, and are growing explosively. These are expected to eat heavily into the PHS market in the next few years.

CHRIS PARTRIDGE



International calls: how to cut the costs

Annie Turner on the growth

of telephone discount operators

n the face of it international telephone calls have never been so cheap and we are told that we are getting a good deal. BT says that since privatisation the cost of its international calls has fallen by more than 46 per cent. In August 1984 a peak time three-minute call to America cost £1.76p. Tuday it costs £1.

Mail

However, if residential customers looked at the prices paid for international calls by large corporations, they might be less impressed to discover that a three-minute call to the US in working hours can cost nearer 30p. The good news is that a number of commnies have sprung up in the past few years that are able to offer con-

sumers the kind of discounts that previously have been the preserve of large organisations: that is between 30 below BT's stan-dard international prices, depending on destination.

Calling the US can cost as little as 10 pence per minute. As Econophone's billing op-Germany and France 18 pence, Hong Kong and Japan 33 pence, South Africa 40 pence. Australia 19 pence and India 59 pence. Subscribers keep their own telephone number and line and are billed by BT or their cable operator for local and national long distance calls

per cent'

in the usual way. None of the service providers mentioned in this article charge a "connection" fee and no additional equipment is needed. All the perators are licensed by the Department of Trade und Industry. The quoted prices apply to calls to fixed telephones: calls to mobiles

Although the operators' published prices look simiar, there are other factors that affect the overall package. Dial International UK and Swiftcall demand payment in advance, the minimum first payments for both being £25.

Thereafter Swiftcall's minimum payment is £50. unless the subscriber is prepared to pay a surcharge of £1, and the larger the prepayment, the cheaper airtime becomes, with the maximum discount being of £200. Itemised bills cost

an additional 55. Swiftcall has recently launched HomeCard which allows customers access to its service from anywhere in the world. The minimum amount they can pay for a

card is £50. Dial International's minimum top-up amount is £25 and like Swiftcall, customers are warned before making calls if their credit is running low. Customers can order an itemised bill

free of charge as required. quires payment in advance, the minimum amount being £10, as is the minimum top-up. Like Dial International, the level of discount is not affected by the size of the prepayment. itemised bills are part of the

deal and are issued free at the Callers customer's request so long as can enjoy the customer has spent E50 or discounts more. Otherwise, he or she is charged 50p.
ACC Long
Distance UK of between 30 and 60

and Econophone International ers monthly and retrospectively.

eration is run from New York, British customers are invoiced in sterling, but they are not charged VAT. Both ACC and Econophone provide itemised bills as standard. ACC's Access World scheme also includes reduced rate calls to mobile phones in the UK. Comparing the cost of calls with BT is difficult.

Some international discount operators advertise their cheapest rate against BT or Mercury's standard rate; some have flat rates for all calls, others have weekend, cheap and peak time rates, but not for all destinations. Typically there is only a few pence difference bemost expensive rates. The discount operators' prices are similar, although one operator might be a few pence cheaper per minute on a certain route, so choosing an operator could depend on the destinations most frequently dialled.

Users should also bear in mind prices after any BT and Mercury discounts to gain a more accurate picture of savings. Joining and annual fees which apply to some of these discount packages need to be taken into consideration too.

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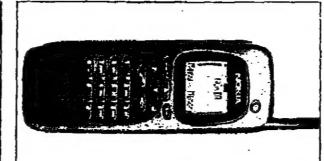
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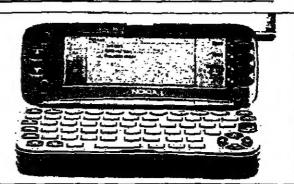
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Travelling executives need never lose contact with the office or the Internet, says Chris Partridge







The Nokia 9000 Communicator: in one package, the system offers a fax and a GSM phone, e-mail and the Internet, a diary and an address book, a notepad and a short message terminal

The world in your pocket

computers have been standard years, and it has always been assumed that they would eventually be connected together to link the computer to the office system. But only now has the

cost come down to the point where the idea is set to take off. The rise of e-mail as the preferred method of business communication is fuelling the mobile computer boom, as people look on long trips as a heaven-sent opportunity to catch up on their corres-

pondence. At the same time,

obile phones all the digital phone networks and notebook have introduced reasonably priced data services, and the east of the hardware needed to connect a notebook computer with a digital mobile phone has halved over the last year. There are two ways of using your digital mobile phone for

data: the dedicated data line using a separate telephone number, and the Short Message System or SMS. To use the data line on the phone, you need a PC card that slides into the slot in the

side of your notebook. Until recently, the most basic GSM eards cost mure than £400, but prices are tumbling and multifunction cards that can also act as fax/modems on the A standard socket is still a long cheapness: SMS messages can ordinary wired telephone systems have come on the market. For example, Psion Dacom's basic GSM card costs £200, and its multifunction card £320.

Getting connected is usually a much simpler matter than using a modern with all its compatibility problems. However, there is one snag: the cables that link the card to the phone are not standard, so you must ensure that your card will fit the phone you have. Psion Dacom, for example, support only Panasonic and Alcatel phones, Nokia cards fit

A standard socket is still a long way off.

The cost of a data call is the

same as for a voice call on all the GSM systems at present, so many executives are finding that communicating with the office computer system from a hotel room is far cheaper over GSM than it is using over-

priced hotel phones, as well as considerably simpler than locating a suitable phone socket. If all you want to do is exchange short messages or check your e-mail, the Short Message System or SMS can display notelets of up to 160

be read on the display of the phone itself, so no computer is actually necessary to consult

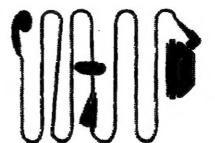
sing a notebook or electronic organiser is usually much easier than tapping away on the phone keypad, and SMS messages can be downloaded using a simple cable, with no expensive card necessary.

The latest service brings this facility to the individual user of Internet e-mail. Called Air-Mail, the system accepts e-

mail for its subscribers, automatically strips out all the irrelevant addressing data that appears on the top of all Internet e-mail messages, and sends out the sender's name and the e-mail as an SMS message, followed by a daisy-chain of SMS messages if the e-mail is long enough.

The SMS message appears on the display of the phone or can be downloaded onto the screen of a personal organiser. using a cheap and simple cable. Replies can be tapped in on the phone's keypad or typed in on the keyboard of the electronic organiser, and sent off as another SMS message.





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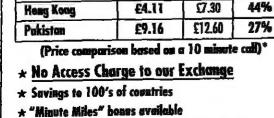


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The Paymaster General told John Major in a blunt departure letter that his policy of leaving open the prospect of joining a single currency was confusing to the public and

Atlanta 'shambolic' say medal hopefuls

Britain's best gold medal hopes, rowers Steve Redgrave and Matthew Pinsent, have moved out of the Olympic athletes' village in protest at farcical travel arrangements at the games in Atlanta. The finalists in the men's coxless pairs and coxless fours, describing the American organisers' arrangements as Pages 1, 10 "shambolic"...

Holiday surcharge

Aviation chiefs are pressing for the right to impose a flight levy of at least 50p per passenger after the collapse of one of Britain's biggest bucket shops cleaned out the emergency fund Page 1

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The week-long heat-wave is expected to come to a blustery end today with thunderstorms and showers across the southern half of the country after the hottest day of the year ...

Court clears dogs

Two rottwellers that put their heads over a fence and snarled at walkers on a public footpath were not breaking the law, the High Court ruledPage 3

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The parents of Caroline Dickinson said that their lives had been changed for ever. They described her murder at a youth hostel in Brittany as "a revelation of realPage 5

Embryo appeal

An appeal is being made to 900 couples whose frozen embryos are scheduled to be destroyed on August I, when the limit on their storage runs out Page 6

Musical controversy A raunchy El million production that promised to be one of the most controversial musicals staged in Britain opened in London's West End Page 7

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An American sculptor and playwright has emerged as the leader of the Isle of Wight's independence movement, heading a committee of residents ____Page 8

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Britain gave support to an EU scheme to finance help for the European beef industry by making a big cut in subsidies to cereal

New Jackal alert

FBI agents investigating the loss of TWA Flight 800 are again scrutinising the contacts and operations of an accused Middle East terrorist known as the "New Jackal"_ Page II

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Sri Lankan armed forces were fighting to save the last beleaguered survivors after hundreds of troops were slaughtered by Tamil Tiger rebels Page 12 Eta questions

The recent rash of bombs in Spanish tourist centres, the last of which injured 24 Britons, has again raised questions about the aims of the Basque terrorist

group Eta Page 13 Dubrovnik's scars

Five years after 2,000 Serb shells rained on Dubrovnik, many of its monuments have been repaired and the craters in the main street filled in, but the human scars of the war still fester Page 13

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■ Paula Yates — already mother to Fifi Trixibelle, Peaches and Pixie Geldof -- gave birth to her fourth daughter and steered clear of choosing a really whacky name by calling her probably regards names like Emma or Jane as freakish, Heavenly Hiraani ranks as a conservative choicePage I



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World in union: The world, or at least the Womad festival of world music, came to Reading at the weekend -- and reclaimed the spirit of peace and understanding for ..Page 37 three days

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My constituents want to see a general resurrection of the values and decency their own families stand for and which was once character-____Page 16 istic of society... TOM POCOCK

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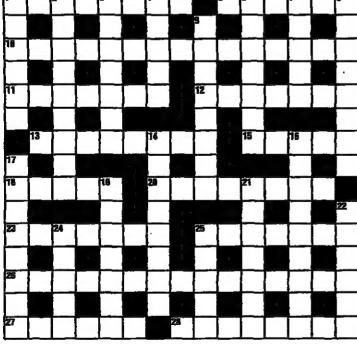
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- 10 Our two-part name fashioned by Dodgson originally? (11.4). 11 Place for a refuelling stop in
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- 15 Part of spur can be moved lower
- 18 Bewildered by drink (2,3). 20 Lack of manners about the commercials in these times (8).
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- 6 Clean up US city failing to meet standards (7). 7 What the Poet Laureate could offer
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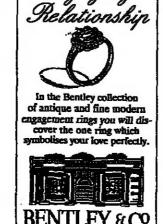


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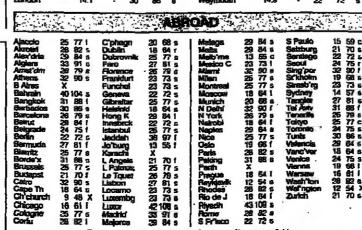
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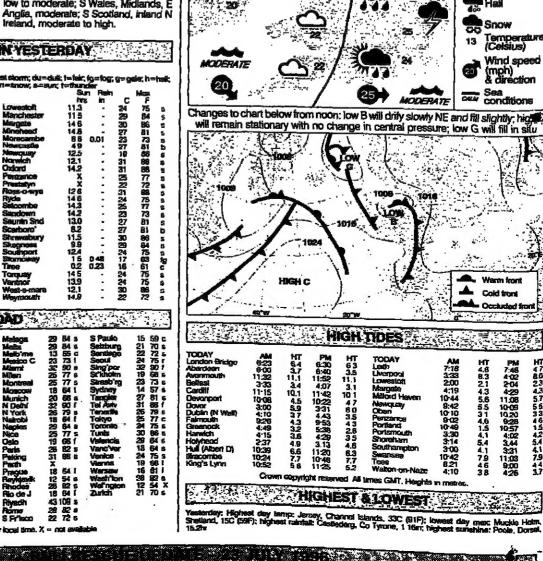
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